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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 09/13/2007

To: Criminal Investigative
Jackson

Attn: Civil Rights Unit
Attn: SAC
ASAC 2B

From: Jackson

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Case ID #: 44-JN-C32347 (~~Pending~~) -6
44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS (~~Pending~~) -36

Title: CIVIL RIGHTS PROGRAM
JACKSON DIVISION
CIVIL RIGHTS ERA COLD CASE INITIATIVE

Synopsis: To forward information to attention line recipients concerning review of pending referrals.

Reference:

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Details: The following information is forwarded concerning review of Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative referrals received via referenced 319W communication. As referenced below, issue of a press release is under consideration by the Jackson Division concerning many of these referrals. It is anticipated that additional media attention will assist the FBI in locating potential subject(s) and witness(es) as well as identifying additional incidents.

44-JN-C32347-1 Serial 1: Referral was received in the form of a 04/06/1964 news article, "Natchez Man Might Be KKK Lynch Victim", appearing in the Mississippi Free Press. Clifton Walker, from Wilkinson County, Mississippi, died from a shotgun blast in his home near Woodville, Mississippi. It was believed Walker was shot for having sex with several white women in the area. This matter was referenced in Jackson Division case 44A-JN-31440. The FBI investigated the matter in 1964 and a case file exists at FBIHQ. Captioned subfile was opened as a repository and a lead is being forwarded to retrieve the aforementioned case file from FBIHQ archives. The matter is under consideration for reopening pending receipt of the original case file.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 4: Referral was received in the form of a 07/16/1964 news article, "11 Mysterious Deaths of Negroes Are Listed", appearing in the Mississippi Free Press. According to the article, an unidentified Mississippi Highway Patrol (MHP) officer shot Isaiah Taylor during a routine traffic stop in Ruleville, Mississippi, after Taylor lunged at MHP officers with a knife. The shooting was officially ruled a justifiable homicide. A search of available records will be conducted to determine the viability of further investigative action. This item will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 5: Referral was received in the form of a 07/09/1966 news article, "Mississippi Police Officers Sued in Death of Negro", appearing in the New York Times. According to the article, a suit filed on behalf of [REDACTED]

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[redacted] named eight officers and alleged [redacted] was beaten and shot to death while in custody. The suit named Colonel [redacted] (head of the Mississippi Highway Patrol), Chief A. D. Morgan, and the Sheriffs of Hinds and Copiah Counties; Crystal Springs Police Chief [redacted] and men under them. According to the article, Eddie Stewart was shot while trying to escape. A search of available records will be conducted to determine the viability of further investigative action. This item will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

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44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 6: Referral was received in the form of a 01/31/1956 "partial" report retrieved from the Manuscript Division of the Library of Congress. The letter is endorsed by Medgar Evers and references the 01/20/1956 shooting death of Jessie James Shelby by an unidentified police officer in Yazoo City, Mississippi. It is unclear to whom the report was addressed. In the letter, Evers advised of an attempt to gain "first hand" information from eye witnesses, but "ran upon the usual 'afraid to talk' because of possible reprisals." A search of available records will be conducted to determine the viability of further investigative action. This item will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 7: Referral was received in the form of a document of unknown origin. The document details multiple incidents of arrest and death of individuals described as "negroes". Reference is made to an 10/13/1961 (estimated to be 1961), incident in McComb, Mississippi, Pike County, wherein a police officer, identified as B. F. Elmore shot and killed a "negro motorist" identified as Eli Brumfield. According to the referral, Brumfield was stopped for speeding at approximately 4:00 AM. Brumfield allegedly jumped from his car with a knife and attacked Elmore. A coroner's jury ruled Elmore fired in self-defense. A search of available records will be conducted to determine the viability of further investigative action. This item will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 8: Referral was received in the form of a document identified as a Mississippi National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) Annual Report. The report provides limited details concerning a resident of Hattiesburg, Mississippi, identified as Mrs. Saleam K. Triggs, who "mysteriously burned to death." A search of available records will be conducted to determine the viability of further investigative action. This item will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson

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Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 9: Referral was received in the form of a query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History and a FOIA request to the FBI from the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC) regarding the 08/19/1965 discovery of the mutilated remains of Freddie Lee Thomas in the middle of Highway 49 in Batesville, Mississippi. The FBI reported the matter to FBIHQ and conducted a full investigation (reference case file 157-3828). Review of the report disclosed Thomas apparently stepped into oncoming traffic while intoxicated. Although there were allegations of WKKKK involvement, the FBI investigation did not substantiate those claims. No further action is anticipated concerning this referral.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 10: Referral was received in the form of a report from a query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History. The report makes reference to the 02/1965 death of Donald Raspberry. The report excerpt states Raspberry was shot to death by the owner of a plantation with no subsequent conviction. A search of available records will be conducted to determine the viability of further investigative action. This item will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 11: Referral was received in the form of a report of unknown origin. The report is titled, "Some Race Related Deaths in the United States (1955-1965)". The report excerpt indicates that on 08/08/1965, Johnny Queen was shot to death by an unidentified off-duty constable in Fayette, Mississippi. The excerpt further indicates the shooting was not connected with any arrest. A search of available records will be conducted to determine the viability of further investigative action. This item will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 12: Referral was received in the form of a report of unknown origin. The report excerpt indicates that on 11/01/1959, William Roy Prather, a fifteen year old black male was killed during an "anti-Negro Halloween prank" by eight white youths. According to the excerpt, six were charged in juvenile court and one charged with manslaughter as an adult. A search of available records will be conducted to determine the viability of further investigative action. This item will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

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44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 13: Referral was received in the form of an article from a unidentified newspaper and a report of unknown origin. Both items detailed the 06/20/1957 shooting death of Charles Brown by Raiford Walton in Yazoo City, Mississippi. According to the article and report, Brown was shot by Walton while sitting at the dining room table in the home of [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] Walton confessed to the shooting. Brown had been accused of having an affair with [REDACTED] while [REDACTED] was out of town. According to the news article, Walton had served a previous prison term for manslaughter. If Walton were alive today, he would be 100 years old. No further action is anticipated concerning this referral.

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44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 14: Referral was received in the form of a query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History. The report makes reference to news articles and an NAACP press release concerning the 01/07/1958 shooting death of George Love by officers from the Sunflower County Sheriff's Department near Ruleville, Mississippi. Review of news articles disclosed that then Sheriff E. W. Williams stated, "Love was shot by a posse after fleeing the scene where he fired at and seriously wounded a Ruleville night marshal who sought to question him about a robbery." According to a review of FBI case file 63-4414, no complaint of a possible federal violation was received. The report notes that Love was also the suspect in five murder cases. After the shooting of the marshal, a posse of 35 persons was formed to locate Love. He was located in a wooded are of Ruleville. When ordered to surrender himself, he fired on the posse. Found in Love's possession was \$250 in cash in tens and twenties and a pistol. The gun matched the description of a gun which was described as having been in the home of a murdered Negro couple. No further action is anticipated concerning this referral.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 15: Referral was received in the form of a copy of a September 1964 Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) report concerning the 09/07/1964 discovery of the body of Herbert Orsby in the Black River in Canton, Mississippi. Orsby was found wearing only a CORE t-shirt and underwear. His clothes were found on the river bank near the location of the body. Orsby, a fourteen year old black male from New Orleans, Louisiana, had been visiting his grandfather of Pickens, Mississippi. The autopsy ruled the cause of death to be an accidental drowning. The FBI conducted a full investigation (157-1994) and reported the matter to FBIHQ. No further action is anticipated concerning this referral.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 16: Referral was received in the form of a query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History concerning the 08/14/1959 shooting death of Samuel O'Quinn in Centreville, Mississippi. O'Quinn was killed by two

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shotgun blasts as he opened the gates to his farm home. It was originally reported that O'Quinn was a member of the NAACP. In a news article from an unidentified newspaper, O'Quinn's wife stated her husband "never belonged to the NAACP" and "she knew nothing about any threats on her husband's life." According to an 08/20/1959 memorandum obtained from the FBI via a FOIA request by the SPLC, O'Quinn was believed to have been murdered by someone interested in obtaining valuable land which he owned. It was also opined that the murder was not connected with any political activities. The memo notes that O'Quinn was not a member of the NAACP nor an advocate of its program and he was not a registered voter. No further action is anticipated concerning this referral.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 17: Referral was received in the form of a query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History and a FOIA request to the FBI from the SPLC regarding the 08/10/1964 shooting death of Neimiah Montgomery in Cleveland, Mississippi. According to documents in the referral, Montgomery stopped at a gas station wherein he asked the attendant to gas his car. Montgomery subsequently refused to pay for the gas and attacked the attendant with an axe handle. When Marigold Police Department officer Leonard Yarborough arrived on scene, Montgomery was in the process of beating the attendant when he was shot. The report further detailed that Montgomery's family had been concerned about his behavior and previously discussed confining him to a mental hospital. No further action is anticipated concerning this referral.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 18: Referral was received in the form of a query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History containing multiple news articles concerning the 10/12/1959 death of Booker T. Mixon in Clarksdale, Mississippi. Mixon was found nude laying in a ditch near a local road having suffered from numerous injuries. He later died in a local hospital after surviving two weeks in a coma. The coroner's office ruled the death as a result of an automobile accident. A search of available records will be conducted to determine the viability of further investigative action. This item will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 19: Referral was received in the form of a query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History and local news clippings concerning the 12/03/1955 shooting death of Clinton Melton. Melton, a service station attendant, was shot twice by Elmer Kimbell, a white male, with a shotgun at Melton's place of employment. An argument began over the amount of gasoline Melton pumped into Kimbell's automobile resulting in Melton shooting Kimbell once in the shoulder. Kimbell retrieved a shotgun from his vehicle and returned fire, killing

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Melton. Kimbell was charged with murder and testified in his own defense at trial. Kimbell was acquitted of the charges by an all white male jury. No further investigative action will be taken concerning this referral, however, it will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 20: Referral was received in the form of a copy of a Mississippi NAACP 1965 Annual Report which provided limited details concerning the 11/06/1964 death of Robert McNair by an unidentified constable in Pelahatchie, Mississippi. No further information was available. A search of available records will be conducted to determine the viability of further investigative action. This item will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 21: Referral was received in the form of newspaper clippings concerning the 01/17/1963 discovery of the mutilated remains of Sylvester Maxwell in a wooded area of Canton, Mississippi, in Madison County. The Madison County Sheriff's Office arrested Thomas Campbell, a black male who was the last person to see Maxwell alive. Mississippi NAACP Director Medgar Evers considered the slaying as a possible "lynching" as "Negroes dont' mutilate a body when they kill, they leave the victim." A search of available records will be conducted to determine the viability of further investigative action. This item will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 22: Referral was received in the form of a query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History and results of an FOIA request to the FBI concerning the 02/25/1965 death of William Henry Lee in Rankin County, Mississippi. Lee's body was discovered near railroad tracks in a rural area of northwest Rankin County. The FBI conducted a preliminary inquiry (157-2801) and determined Lee died from natural causes after leaving his disabled vehicle and attempting to walk along the railroad tracks for assistance. Lee was never a member of any civil rights advocacy group and had no known enemies. No further investigative action will be taken concerning this referral.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 23: Referral was received in the form of a 07/16/1964 clipping from an unidentified newspaper concerning the 10/20/1963 death of Ernest Jells in Clarksdale, Mississippi. According to the article, Jells was shot to death by an officer from the Clarksdale Police Department. Jells had been accused of stealing a banana from a local grocery store and was shot during arrest after pointing a rifle at the officers. A search of

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available records will be conducted to determine the viability of further investigative action. This item will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 24: Referral was received in the form of a query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History concerning the October 1959 shooting death of Luther Jackson in Philadelphia, Mississippi. Jackson was shot and killed by Philadelphia Police Department officer Lawrence Rainey (now deceased). Rainey later served as the sheriff of Neshoba County. Rainey was prosecuted in the Mississippi Burning investigation wherein three civil rights workers were murdered by members of the Neshoba County Sheriff's Office. The referral provides several versions of the circumstances surrounding the alleged murder, but it appears Jackson was killed during a routine traffic stop. No further investigative action will be taken concerning this matter.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 25: Referral was received in the form of results from a FOIA request by the SPLC to the FBI concerning the 09/24/1965 death of Jimmy Lee Griffin near Sturgis, Mississippi. Griffin's body was found on a local highway, apparently the victim of a hit and run accident. The FBI and Oktibbeha County Sheriff's Office conducted a joint investigation (157-4092). Official reports indicate Griffin was the victim of an intentional "hit and run" but motive was not fully established by local law enforcement. Griffin was associated with the civil rights movement, but had also been involved in gambling activities the night of his death. Further review of the existing case file will be conducted and this matter will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 26: Referral was received in the form of results from a FOIA request by the SPLC to the FBI and a copy of a clipping from an unidentified newspaper concerning the 06/30/1964 death of Jasper Greenwood in Vicksburg, Mississippi. Greenwood's body was found badly decomposed near an area known as "Lover's Lane" in Vicksburg. Due to the condition of the body, an autopsy was not performed by local officials. A preliminary investigation conducted by the FBI (157-1765), disclosed Greenwood had been having an affair with an unidentified African-American's wife who threatened him. There was no indication Greenwood was associated with any civil rights organization. No further investigative activity will be conducted concerning this matter.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 27: Referral was received in the form of a copy of a 12/27/1955 conference call memorandum between NAACP Secretary Medgar Evers, Ruby Hurley, and Gloster B.

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Current. The memorandum concerned the 12/24/1955 discovery of the body of J. E. Evanston in Tallahatchie, Mississippi. Evanston was found in Long Lake after having been reported missing for three days.

Evanston had attended the Emmitt Till trial. No further information was available from the memorandum. A search of available records will be conducted to determine the viability of further investigative action. This item will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 28: Referral was received in the form of a copy of a clipping from an unidentified newspaper concerning the 1964 death of Pheld Evans in Canton, Mississippi. No further information was discernable from the article. This item will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 29: Referral was received in the form of multiple clippings from various newspapers concerning the 06/25/1958 alleged beating death of Woodrow Wilson Daniels by Sheriff J.C. Treloar, aka "Buster", of Yalobusha County. Wilson was incarcerated in a jail in Water Valley, Mississippi. Treloar was charged with manslaughter and acquitted by an all white male jury after deliberating twenty-three (23) minutes. If alive today, it is estimated Treloar would be eighty-five (85) years old. A search of available records will be conducted to determine the viability of further investigative action. This item will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 30: Referral was received in the form of a typewritten report of unknown origin which references the 1966 death of Vincent Dahmon. The excerpt referenced Dahmon, age 65, of Natchez, Mississippi, and alleges that "his head was blown off by the Ku Klux Klan around the time of the Meredith March." A search of available records will be conducted to determine the viability of further investigative action. This item will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 31: Referral was received in the form of a copy of a 05/26/1964 press release from the NAACP and a search query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History concerning the 03/01/1964 shooting death of Silas Gaston by Hinds County Deputy Sheriff Herbert Sullivan in Jackson, Mississippi. Gaston was shot to death at the Sunset Inn when he attempted to run from law enforcement and turned and pointed a handgun in the direction of Sullivan. A search of available records will be conducted to determine the viability of further investigative

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action. This item will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 32: Referral was received in the form of a copy of a Mississippi NAACP 1965 Annual Report which provided limited details concerning the 01/13/1965 death of Jessie Brown in Winona, Mississippi. According to the report excerpt, Brown was "killed by a white farmer, R. M. Gibson." No further information was available. A search of available records will be conducted to determine the viability of further investigative action. This item will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 34: Referral was received in the form of a search query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History concerning the 01/22/1965 shooting death of Ollie Shelby, Jr., while incarcerated in the Hinds County Jail, Jackson, Mississippi. Shelby was shot by Hinds County Sheriff's Department Deputy [REDACTED] who later resigned from the department. According to a 01/29/1965 United Press International news article, "Shelby, 18, of Flora, was killed by a pistol blast fired by Deputy Sheriff [REDACTED] Officers said the Negro, convicted earlier for making indecent gestures at a white woman, had fought with two policemen and deputies. He was beating a deputy when he was shot, officers reported." A search of available records will be conducted to determine the viability of further investigative action. This item will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

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44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 35: Referral was received in the form of a copy of a 06/12/1958 NAACP press release which referenced the 04/27/1958 shooting death of Ed Smith by a white man identified as L.D. Clark in State Line, Mississippi, in Greene County. According to the press release, Smith is "alleged to have been shot to death by Clark as he stood in his own front yard and in the presence of his wife." The press release further referenced that the circuit court, convened two weeks later "failed to prosecute Clark after the grand jury refused to indict him." A search of available records will be conducted to determine the viability of further investigative action. This item will be considered for inclusion in a Jackson Division press release concerning Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative efforts.

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AT WASHINGTON, DC

For Civil Rights Unit: Please review the attached communication for current Jackson Division efforts relevant to the Civil Rights Era Cold Case Initiative. As referenced in the communication, issuance of a press release by the Jackson Division is under consideration concerning this initiative. It is anticipated that additional media attention will assist the FBI in locating potential subject(s) and witness(es) as well as identifying additional incidents.

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Synopsis: To request opening of subfiles as repositories for assessments of referrals. To request assignment of the main file to SA [REDACTED] and below referenced subfiles to the identified case agents.

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Reference: 44-JN-C32347 Serial 6

Administrative: Re 01/08/2009 conference call between ASAC [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] SSA [REDACTED] SA [REDACTED] SA [REDACTED]
SA [REDACTED] and SA [REDACTED] of the Jackson Division; Unit Chief [REDACTED] of the FBIHQ Civil Rights Unit; and Attorney [REDACTED] of the DOJ Civil Rights Division.

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Also monitoring the call were supervisors and case agents from Jackson Division Resident Agencies responsible for the below referenced subfiles.

Details: Referenced serials identify referrals provided to the Jackson Division for assessment of investigative potential. The information detailed in the serials were provided directly to the Jackson Division or via FBIHQ Civil Rights Unit and the DOJ Civil Rights Division by representatives of the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC). In total, there are currently thirty-nine (39) referrals under assessment.

During the referenced conference call, it was agreed all of the referrals would be reviewed and documents which are currently not viewable electronically, would be scanned and uploaded to the below referenced subfiles. Scanning of the documents will enable electronic access by FBIHQ and DOJ.

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The following referrals are requested to be opened as subfiles for assessment and assigned to the identified Jackson Division agents:

Subfile: CC-1
Subfile Title: BENJAMIN BROWN
Case Agent: SA [REDACTED]
Jackson Division Headquarters (JNHQ)

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The original Jackson Division case files in this matter (157-9837, [REDACTED]) were sent to FBIHQ in 2003 per request (reference 190-JN-29130 Serial 66). Open source Internet queries indicated the Jackson Police Department reopened the investigation in 1998. The queries further indicated in February 2001, authorities advised a grand jury reviewed the death of BROWN and no one was charged. Review of information provided by the SPLC as a reference in their publication Free At Last: A History of the Civil Rights Movement and Those Who Died in the Struggle, advised two lawmen, BUDDY KANE and LLOYD JONES, were responsible for BROWN's death on 05/10/1967 in Jackson, Mississippi. Both men were listed as deceased and the case closed. A request will be made to the Jackson Police Department to review the 1998 case file and a search of court records will be conducted concerning the 2001 grand jury. A search of vital records will be conducted for death certificates for KANE and JONES.

Subfile: CC-2
Subfile Title: CHARLES BROWN
Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] JNHQ

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A referral (44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 13) was received in the form of an unidentified newspaper and a report of unknown origin. According to the article and report, BROWN was shot by RAIFORD WALTON on 06/20/1957 in the home of [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] BROWN had been accused of having an affair with [REDACTED] while her husband was out of town. According to the news article, WALTON served a prison term for manslaughter. Queries of [REDACTED] identified RAIFORD RANDOLPH WALTON's date of death as 01/06/2002 in Ouachita, Louisiana. A request will be forwarded to the state of Louisiana for a copy of the death certificate.

Subfile: CC-3
Subfile Title: JESSIE BROWN
Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] Oxford RA

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A referral (44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 32) was received in the form of a copy of a Mississippi National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) 1965 Annual Report which

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provided limited details concerning the 01/13/1965 death of BROWN by a "white farmer" named R. M. GIBSON. An open source Internet query identified an article from the "Arkansas Delta Truth and Justice Center" identified the location of the incident as Winona, Mississippi. Queries will be conducted via [REDACTED] to determine if GIBSON is still alive and his current location. If it is determined GIBSON is deceased, a request will be forwarded to the Mississippi Department of Health Vital Statistics for a copy of the death certificate.

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Subfile: CC-4
Subfile Title: ELI BRUMFIELD
Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] Hattiesburg RA

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A referral (44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 7) was received in the form of a document of unknown origin. Reference was made to an 10/13/1961 (estimated to be 1961) incident in McComb, Mississippi, Pike County. According to the document, BRUMFIELD was stopped for speeding by police officer B. F. ELMORE. After being stopped, BRUMFIELD allegedly jumped from his car and attacked ELMORE with a knife. ELMORE then shot and killed BRUMFIELD. A coroner's jury ruled ELMORE fired in self defense. An [REDACTED] search disclosed ELMORE died on 03/31/2007 in Pike, Mississippi. A request will be forwarded to the Mississippi Department of Health Vital Statistics for a copy of the death certificate.

Subfile: CC-5
Subfile Title: SILAS CASTON
Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] JNHQ

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A referral (44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 31) was received in the form of a copy of a 05/26/1964 press release from the NAACP and a search query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History concerning the 03/01/1964 shooting death of CASTON by Hinds County Deputy Sheriff HERBERT SULLIVAN in Jackson, Mississippi. A query of [REDACTED] identified HERBERT H. SULLIVAN died 04/06/1986. A request will be forwarded to the Mississippi Department of Health Vital Statistics for a copy of the death certificate.

Subfile: CC-6
Subfile Title: VINCENT DAHMON
Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] JNHQ

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A referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 30) was received in the form of a typewritten report of unknown origin which referenced the 1966 death of DAHMON. The report excerpt alleged DAHMON, age 65, of Natchez Mississippi, had "his head blown

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off by the Ku Klux Klan around the time of the Meredith March". Open source queries of the Internet concerning the Meredith March disclosed the participants, who marched from Memphis, Tennessee to Jackson, Mississippi, were well guarded by the Mississippi Highway Patrol. According to the articles, the marchers were not attacked on their main route, but some were assaulted on the side trips. Canton Police Department and the Madison County District Attorney's Office advised neither office had any records concerning the incident. Open source queries via the Internet disclose no further information about the particular incident. A request will be forwarded to the SPLC seeking additional information on the incident.

Subfile: CC-7
Subfile Title: WOODROW DANIELS
Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] Oxford RA

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A referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 29) in the form of multiple clippings from various newspapers concerning the 06/25/1958 alleged beating death of DANIELS by Sheriff J. C. TRELOAR, aka "Buster", of Yalobusha County. TRELOAR was charged with manslaughter and acquitted by an all white male jury after deliberating twenty-three (23) minutes. The Yalobusha Circuit Court Office and the Mississippi Attorney Generals Office advised they have no records concerning the incident. Open source queries via the Internet disclosed no information concerning TRELOAR. Queries will be conducted via [REDACTED] to determine if TRELOAR is still alive and his current location. If it is determined TRELOAR is deceased, a request will be forwarded to the Mississippi Department of Health Vital Statistics for a copy of the death certificate. A request will be forwarded to the Yalobusha County Sheriff's Office and Yalobusha Police Department for any records concerning the incident.

Subfile: CC-8
Subfile Title: ROMAN DUCKSWORTH
Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] JNHQ

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Referral was provided by the SPLC as a reference in their publication Free At Last: A History of the Civil Rights Movement and Those Who Died in the Struggle. According to the article, entitled "Returning Home", in 1961, DUCKSWORTH was traveling by bus from his military post in Fort Ritchie, Maryland to his hometown in Taylorsville, Mississippi. DUCKSWORTH was asleep when the bus was stopped and a Taylorsville Police Officer WILLIAM KELLY. KELLY woke him by slapping and hitting him and ordered him off the bus where he then hit him several more times and shot him. KELLY claimed DUCKSWORTH attacked him and the killing was ruled "justifiable homicide". A grand jury cleared KELLY of any wrongdoing. According

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to an NAACP investigation, DUCKSWORTH was killed because he insisted on his right to sit where he chose on the bus. A request will be made to the NAACP for any copies of the referenced investigation.

Taylorville Police Department will be contacted concerning any copies of police reports of the incident. County and state court records will be searched for any records of the referenced grand jury. [redacted] queries will be conducted to determine if KELLY is still alive. If deceased, a request will be forwarded to the Mississippi Department of Health Vital Statistics to obtain a copy of the death certificate. Open source queries will also be conducted concerning the incident.

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Subfile: CC-9
Subfile Title: PHELD EVANS
Case Agent: SA [redacted] JNHQ

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A referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 28) was received in the form of a newspaper clipping from an unidentified newspaper concerning the death of EVANS in Canton, Mississippi. No further information was discernable from the article. Canton Police Department, Madison County District Attorney's Office, and the Mississippi Attorney Generals Office reported no records concerning the incident. Open source queries will be conducted and the SPLC contacted in an effort to locate more information concerning the incident.

Subfile: CC-10
Subfile Title: J. E. EVANSTON
Case Agent: SA [redacted] Oxford RA

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A referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 27) was received in the form of a copy of a 12/27/1955 conference call memorandum between members of the NAACP. The memorandum concerned the 12/24/1955 discovery of the body of EVANSTON in Long Lake in Tallahatchie, Mississippi. EVANSTON had been reported missing for three days. EVANSTON was also reported to have attended the EMMITT TILL trial. No further information was discernable from the memorandum. Tallahatchie County Sheriff's Office and the Mississippi Attorney Generals Office reported no records concerning the incident. Open source queries will be conducted and the SPLC contacted in an effort to locate more information concerning the incident.

Subfile: CC-11
Subfile Title: JASPER GREENWOOD
Case Agent: SA [redacted] JNHQ

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A referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 26) was received in the form of a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request by the SPLC to the FBI concerning the 06/30/1964 death of GREENWOOD in Vicksburg, Mississippi. GREENWOOD's badly decomposed body was found near an area known as "Lover's Lane". Due to the condition of the body, an autopsy was not performed. A preliminary investigation by the FBI (157-1765) found GREENWOOD was having an affair with the wife of an unidentified black man who alleged threatened GREENWOOD. Former Vicksburg Police Officer [redacted] who was assigned to the Coroner's Inquest into the incident, advised former VPD Investigator ROY REDDICK, now deceased, testified in the inquest. According to REDDICK, GREENWOOD had taken the unidentified female to "Lover's Lane" for the purpose of having sex. While there, GREENWOOD allegedly had a heart attack. The female panicked and ran away and his body discovered days later. VPD and the Mississippi Attorney Generals Office advised they have no records concerning the incident. Open source queries will be conducted and the SPLC contacted in an effort to locate more information concerning the incident.

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Subfile: CC-12
Subfile Title: JIMMIE GRIFFEN
Case Agent: SA [redacted] Columbus RA

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A referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 25) was received in the form of a FOIA request by the SPLC to the FBI concerning the 09/24/1965 death of GRIFFEN near Sturgis, Mississippi. GRIFFEN's body was found on a local highway, apparently the victim of a hit and run accident. The FBI and Oktibbeha County Sheriff's Office conducted a joint investigation (157-4092). Official reports indicate GRIFFEN was the victim of an intentional "hit and run" but motive was not fully established by local law enforcement. GRIFFEN was associated with the civil rights movement, but also had been involved in gambling activities the night of his death. The Oktibbeha County Sheriff's Office and the Mississippi Attorney Generals Office advised they have no records of the incident. Open source queries will be conducted and the SPLC contacted in an effort to locate more information concerning the incident.

Subfile: CC-13
Subfile Title: PAUL GUIHARD
Case Agent: SA [redacted] Oxford RA

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Referral was provided by the SPLC as a reference in their publication Free At Last: A History of the Civil Rights Movement and Those Who Died in the Struggle. The article, entitled "In the Center of the Crisis" referenced the 1962 death of GUIHARD, who was

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a French reporter killed during an University of Mississippi riot in Oxford, Mississippi. On 09/30/1962, the day JAMES MEREDITH, the first black student was admitted to the University of Mississippi, GUIHARD was dispatched by his editors in New York City, New York to cover the story. At approximately 8:00 PM, during a protest march at the university at approximately, a federal marshal was hit in the head by someone in the mob and subsequently a shower of rocks, brick, and bottles came down on the National Guard troops in the area. The marshals responded with tear gas and someone in the mob began firing guns. Less than four hours later, GUIHARD was found dead in front of the women's dormitory, killed by a bullet in the back. No information was identified concerning the killer nor whether GUIHARD was known to be a reporter. Open source queries will be conducted and the SPLC contacted in an effort to locate more information concerning the incident.

Subfile: CC-14
Subfile Title: LUTHER JACKSON
Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] Meridian RA

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A referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 24) was received in the form of a query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History concerning the October 1959 shooting death of JACKSON in Philadelphia, Mississippi. JACKSON was shot and killed by Philadelphia Police Department officer LAWRENCE RAINEY (now deceased). RAINEY was prosecuted in the "Mississippi Burning" investigation wherein three civil rights workers were murdered by members of the Neshoba County Sheriff's Office. The referral provides several versions of the circumstances surrounding the alleged murder, but it appeared JACKSON was killed during a routine traffic stop. Philadelphia Police Officer [REDACTED] was in the vehicle driven by RAINEY when JACKSON was shot. [REDACTED] was reportedly arrested for public intoxication and resisting arrest after the shooting. The Philadelphia Police Department and Neshoba County Sheriff's Department advised they have no records concerning the incident. A review of investigative materials from the Mississippi Burning investigation will be conducted to locate identifying information on RAINEY for the purposes of locating his death certificate. Queries of [REDACTED] will be conducted in an attempt to determine if [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are still alive. The SPLC will be contacted in an effort to locate more information concerning the incident.

Subfile: CC-15
Subfile Title: ERNEST JELLS
Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] Oxford RA

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A referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 23) in the form of a 07/16/1964 clipping from an unidentified newspaper concerning the 10/20/1963 death of JELLS in Clarksdale, Mississippi.

According to the article, JELLS was shot to death by an officer from the Clarksdale Police Department. JELLS had been accused of stealing a banana from a local grocery store and later shot during arrest after pointing a rifle at the officers. Clarksdale Police Department, Coahoma County Sheriff's Office, and Mississippi Attorney Generals Office advised they have no records concerning the incident. Open source queries will be conducted and the SPLC contacted in an effort to locate more information concerning the incident.

Subfile: CC-16
Subfile Title: HAMLETT-KEGLAR
Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] Tupelo RA

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Referral was provided by the NAACP as a reference in an Internet publication from the United Kingdom, The Guardian. The publication contained an article entitled, "Still Burning", which detailed the deaths of two black women, ADLENA HAMLETT and BIRDIA KEGLAR. According to the article, on 01/11/1966, a gold-toned Plymouth Fury carrying a group of voting-rights activists crashed on a stretch of road near the small town of Sidon, Mississippi. HAMLETT and KEGLAR were killed in the crash. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] questioned if the crash was accidental. According to the article, HAMLETT and KEGLAR had been previously threatened, shot at, and burned in effigy because of their efforts to register black voters. The article provided no details concerning any investigation into the crash. Requests for records reviews will be forwarded to the Sidon Police Department, Leflore County Sheriff's Office, Mississippi Highway Patrol, and Mississippi Attorney General's Office. Open source Internet queries will be conducted and a request forwarded to the SPLC in an effort to locate additional information concerning the incident.

Subfile: CC-17
Subfile Title: GEORGE LEE
Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] Greenville RA

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Referral was provided by the SPLC as a reference in their publication Free At Last: A History of the Civil Rights Movement and Those Who Died in the Struggle. According to the article, entitled, "Preaching the Power of the Vote", LEE died while leading a voter-registration drive in Belzoni, Mississippi. On the Saturday before Mother's Day in 1955, LEE was driving home when he was hit by gunfire from a passing car. LEE pulled himself out of the car

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and made his way to a cabstand. Two black drivers took him to the hospital where he died. A coroner's jury ruled LEE died of unknown causes. In 2000, FBI files were released which detailed the murder case against two suspects, PECK RAY and JOE DAVID WATSON Sr. In 1955, the two were members of the segregationist group known as the White Citizens Council. According to the article, both men died in the 1970's. A local prosecutor refused to take the case to grand jury and the case closed. Attempts will be made to identify and locate the referenced FBI case file. A query will be made of state and local law enforcement to determine if any investigative files concerning the matter are available. [redacted] queries will be conducted concerning PECK and WATSON to determine if they are still alive. If determined to be deceased, a request will be forwarded to the Mississippi Department of Health Vital Statistics to obtain a copy of the death certificates.

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Subfile: CC-18
Subfile Title: WILLIAM LEE
Case Agent: SA [redacted] JNHQ

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A referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 22) was received in the form of a query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History and results of a FOIA request to the FBI concerning the 02/25/1965 death of LEE in Rankin County. LEE's body was discovered near railroad tracks in a rural are of northwest Rankin County. The FBI conducted a preliminary inquiry (157-2801) and determined LEE died from natural causes after leaving his disabled vehicle and attempting to walk along the railroad tracks for assistance. LEE was never a member of any civil rights advocacy group and had no known enemies. The Rankin County District Attorney's Office, Rankin County Sheriff's Office, and the Mississippi Attorney Generals Office advised they have no records concerning the incident. A copy of the referenced FBI investigation will be reviewed and a copy forwarded via FBIHQ Civil Rights Unit to the DOJ Civil Rights Division for reference.

Subfile: CC-19
Subfile Title: GEORGE LOVE
Case Agent: SA [redacted] Greenville RA

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A referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 14) was received in the form of a query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History. The report makes reference to news articles and an NAACP press release concerning the 01/07/1958 shooting death of LOVE by officers from the Sunflower County Sheriff's Department near Ruleville, Mississippi. Review of news articles disclosed that then Sheriff E. W. WILLIAMS stated, "Love was shot by a posse after

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fleeing the scene where he fired at and seriously wounded a Ruleville night marshal who sought to question him about a robbery." According to a review of FBI case file concerning the incident (63-4414), no complaint of a possible federal violation was received. The report notes LOVE was also the suspect in five murder cases. After the shooting of the marshal, a posse of 35 persons was formed to locate LOVE. He was located in a wooded area of Ruleville. When ordered to surrender himself, he fired on the posse. Found in LOVE's possession was \$250 in cash in tens and twenties and a pistol. The gun matched the description of a gun which was described as having been in the home of a murdered Negro couple. The Ruleville Police Department, Sunflower County Sheriff's Department, and the Mississippi Attorney Generals Office advised they have no records concerning the incident. An [redacted] query will be conducted to determine if WILLIAMS is still alive. If deceased, the Mississippi Department of Health Vital Records will be contacted to obtain a death certificate. A copy of the referenced FBI investigation will be reviewed forwarded via FBIHQ Civil Rights Unit to the DOJ Civil Rights Division for reference.

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Subfile: CC-20
Subfile Title: SYLVESTER MAXWELL
Case Agent: SA [redacted] JNHQ

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A referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 21) was received in the form of newspaper clippings concerning the 01/17/1963 discovery of the mutilated remains of LOVE in a wooded area of Canton, Mississippi, in Madison County. The Madison County Sheriff's Office arrested THOMAS CAMPBELL, a black male who was the last person to see MAXWELL alive. Mississippi NAACP Director MEDGAR EVERS considered the slaying as a possible "lynching" as "Negroes don't mutilate a body when they kill, they leave the victim." Canton Police Department, Madison County District Attorney's Office, and the Mississippi Attorney Generals Office advised they have no records concerning the incident. An open source Internet query will be conducted as well as a request to the SPLC for more information on the incident. An [redacted] query will be conducted to determine if CAMPBELL is still alive. If deceased, the Mississippi Department of Health Vital Records will be contacted to obtain a copy of the death certificate.

Subfile: CC-21
Subfile Title: ROBERT MCNAIR
Case Agent: SA [redacted] JNHQ

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A referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 20) was received in the form of a Mississippi NAACP 1965 Annual Report

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which provided limited details concerning the 11/06/1964 death of MCNAIR by an unidentified constable in Pelahatchie, Mississippi. The Rankin County District Attorney's Office, Rankin County Sheriff's Office, and the Mississippi Attorney Generals Office advised they have no records concerning the incident. An open source Internet query will be conducted as well as a request to the SPLC for more information on the incident.

Subfile: CC-22
Subfile Title: CLINTON MELTON
Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] Oxford RA

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A referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 19) was received in the form of a query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History and local news clippings concerning the 12/03/1955 shooting death of MELTON. MELTON, a service station attendant, was reportedly shot twice with a shotgun at his place of employment by ELMER KIMBELL, a white male. The shooting occurred following an argument about the amount of gasoline MELTON pumped into KIMBELL's automobile. During the argument, MELTON shot KIMBELL in the shoulder. KIMBELL then retrieved a shotgun from his vehicle and returned fire, killing MELTON. KIMBELL was charged with murder and testified in his own defense at trial. KIMBELL was acquitted on all charges by an all white male jury. The Tallahatchie County Sheriff's Office and Mississippi Attorney General's Office advised they have no records concerning the incident. An [REDACTED] query disclosed KIMBELL died 05/11/2000. A request will be forwarded to the SPLC for more information on the incident.

Subfile: CC-23
Subfile Title: BOOKER MIXON
Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] Oxford RA

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A referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 18) was received in the form of a query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History containing multiple news articles concerning the 10/12/1959 death of MIXON in Clarksdale, Mississippi. MIXON was found laying nude in a ditch near a local road having suffered from numerous injuries. MIXON was taken to a local hospital where he later died after surviving for two weeks in a coma. The coroner's office ruled the death as the result of an automobile accident. The Coahoma County Sheriff's Office, Clarksdale Police Department, and the Mississippi Attorney General's Office advised they have no records concerning the incident. An open source query via the Internet and a request to the SPLC will be conducted to obtain further information which indicates the death was the result of a civil rights violation.

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Subfile: CC-24
Subfile Title: NEIMIAH MONTGOMERY
Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] Greenville RA

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A referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 17) was received in the form of a query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History and a FOIA request to the FBI from the SPLC regarding the 08/10/1964 shooting death of MONTGOMERY in Cleveland, Mississippi. According to the documents, MONTGOMERY stopped at a gas station and asked the attendant to put gas in his car. MONTGOMERY subsequently refused to pay for the gas and attacked the attendant with an axe handle. When Marigold Police Department Officer LEONARD YARBOROUGH arrived on the scene, MONTGOMERY was in the process of beating the attendant when he was shot. The report further detailed that MONTGOMERY's family had been concerned about his behavior and previously discussed confining him to a mental hospital. Bolivar County Sheriff's Department advised YARBOROUGH died on 11/13/2002.

A request to the Mississippi State Department of Health Vital Records yielded a certificate of death (state file number 12302-023049) for YARBOROUGH which confirmed the aforementioned death. The death certificate will be maintained in the 44-JN-C32347 1A subfile and a copy scanned into the case file for reference. No further action is anticipated in the matter.

Subfile: CC-25
Subfile Title: SAMUEL O'QUINN
Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] Hattiesburg RA

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A referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 16) was received in the form of a query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History concerning the 08/14/1959 shooting death of O'QUINN at his farm in Centreville, Mississippi. As O'QUINN opened the gates to his farm home, he was killed by two shotgun blasts.

It was originally reported that O'QUINN was a member of the NAACP. However, a newspaper article from an unidentified newspaper quoted O'QUINN's wife as stating her husband "Never belonged to the NAACP."

According to an 08/20/1959 memorandum obtained by the SPLC from the FBI via a FOIA request, O'QUINN was believed to have been killed by someone interested in obtaining valuable land he owned. The memorandum also states O'QUINN was not a member of the NAACP nor an advocate of its programs nor a registered voter. No suspects were developed following the incident. Canton Police Department, Madison County Sheriff's Office, and the Mississippi Attorney General's Office advised they have no records concerning the incident. An open source Internet query and request to the SPLC will be made in an effort to obtain any additional information.

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Subfile Title: HERBERT ORSBY
Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] JNHQ

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A referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 15) was received in the form of a copy of a September 1964 Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) report concerning the 09/07/1964 discovery of the body of ORSBY in the Black River in Canton, Mississippi. ORSBY, age 14, had been visiting his grandfather of Pickens, Mississippi. ORSBY was found wearing only a CORE t-shirt and underwear and his clothes found on the river bank near the location of the body. The autopsy ruled the death to be an accidental drowning. The FBI conducted a full investigation (157-1994) and reported the matter to FBIHQ. The Madison County Sheriff's Office and the Mississippi Attorney General's Office advised they have no records concerning the incident. An open source Internet query and request for additional information from the SPLC will be conducted. The aforementioned FBI case file will be reviewed and a copy forwarded via FBIHQ to DOJ for reference.

Subfile: CC-27
Subfile Title: MACK PARKER
Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] Gulfport RA

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This matter is detailed extensively within a separate FBI Civil Rights case file (reference [REDACTED]). Within the file, there were eleven (11) suspects identified of which nine (9) are deceased. This information was reported and copies of the death certificates forwarded to FBIHQ (reference [REDACTED]). The two remaining suspects are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] if still alive would be approximately [REDACTED] years old. [REDACTED] would be approximately [REDACTED] years old. [REDACTED] and open source queries will be conducted to determine [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are still alive and their location. If deceased, a request will be forwarded to the Mississippi Department of Health Vital Records to obtain copies of the death certificates.

Subfile: CC-28
Subfile Title: WILLIAM PRATHER
Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] Tupelo RA

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Referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 12) was received in the form of a report of unknown origin. The report excerpt indicates that on 11/01/1959, PRATHER, a 15 year old black male was killed during an "anti-Negro Halloween prank" by eight white youths. According to the excerpt, six were charged in juvenile court and one charged with manslaughter as an adult. The Corinth Police

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Department, Alcorn County Sheriff's Department, nor the Mississippi Attorney General's Office maintain any records concerning the incident. According to a Corinth Police Department captain, individuals in Corinth familiar with the case state [redacted] served time in jail for the shooting of a young black male "a long time ago". [redacted] lives in [redacted] and is approximately [redacted] years old and in poor health. Absent any investigative documentation, the captain is not positive [redacted] served time for PRATHER's death, but opined it to be the case. Open source Internet queries will be conducted and a request to the SPLC forwarded seeking more information on the incident. Following consultation with DOJ, [redacted] will be located and interviewed concerning the incident.

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Subfile: CC-29
Subfile Title: JOHNNY QUEEN
Case Agent: SA [redacted] JNHQ

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Referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 11) was received in the form of a report of unknown origin. The report is titled, "Some Race Related Deaths in the United States (1955-1965)".

The report indicates QUEEN was alleged shot and killed on 08/08/1965 by an off-duty constable in Fayette, Mississippi. The shooting was not related to an arrest and no other information was available. The Jefferson County District Attorney's Office and Mississippi Attorney General's Office advised they have no records concerning the incident. Open source Internet queries will be conducted and a request forwarded to the SPLC seeking additional information on the incident.

Subfile: CC-30
Subfile Title: DONALD RASPBERRY
Case Agent: SA [redacted] Tupelo RA

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Referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 10) was received in the form of a query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History which referenced the 02/1965 shooting death of RASPBERRY. The report refers to the suspect as an unknown owner of a plantation. Okalona Police Department, Chickasaw County Sheriff's Department, nor the Mississippi Attorney General's Office maintain any records concerning the incident. An open source Internet query will be conducted and a request forwarded to the SPLC seeking additional information concerning the incident.

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Subfile Title: JESSIE SHELBY

Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] JNHQ

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Referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 6) was received in the form of a 01/31/1956 "partial" report retrieved from the Manuscript Division of the Library of Congress. The letter was endorsed by MEDGAR EVERS and references the 01/29/1956 shooting death of SHELBY by an unidentified police officer in Yazoo City, Mississippi. It is unclear to whom the report was addressed. In the letter, EVERS advised of an attempt to gain "first hand" information from eye witnesses, but "ran upon the usual 'afraid to talk' because of possible reprisals." Yazoo County Sheriff's Office and the Mississippi Attorney General's Office advised they have no records concerning the incident. An open source Internet query will be conducted and a request forwarded to the SPLC seeking additional information on the incident.

Subfile: CC-32

Subfile Title: OLLIE SHELBY

Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] JNHQ

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Referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 34) in the form of a query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History concerning the 01/22/1965 shooting death of SHELBY while incarcerated in the Hinds County Jail, Jackson, Mississippi. SHELBY was shot by Hinds County Sheriff's Department Deputy [REDACTED] who later resigned from the department. According to a 01/29/1965 United Press International news article, "SHELBY, 18, of Flora, was killed by a pistol blast fired by Deputy Sheriff [REDACTED]"

Officers said the Negro, convicted earlier for making indecent gestures at a white woman, had fought with two policemen and deputies.

He was beating a deputy when he was shot, officers reported." The Hinds County Sheriff's Office advised they have no records of the incident nor employment records for [REDACTED]. The Mississippi Attorney General's Office advised they have no records of the incident. [REDACTED] queries for [REDACTED] were negative in determination of his birth nor death. The [REDACTED] report listed a 1983 address in Jackson, Mississippi with current residents of no connection to [REDACTED]. Open source Internet queries will be conducted and a request forwarded to the SPLC seeking additional information on the incident.

Subfile: CC-33

Subfile Title: ED SMITH

Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] Gulfport RA

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Referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 35) was received in the form of a copy of a 06/12/1958 NAACP press release which referenced the 04/27/1958 shooting death of Ed Smith by a white man identified as L.D. CLARK in State Line, Mississippi, in Greene County. According to the press release, Smith is "alleged to have been shot to death by CLARK as he stood in his own front yard and in the presence of his wife." The press release further referenced that the circuit court, convened two weeks later "failed to prosecute CLARK after the grand jury refused to indict him." The Greene County Sheriff's Office advised the ledger at the Green County Courthouse lists the case against CLARK as receiving "No True Bill". The Green County Sheriff's Office and the Mississippi Attorney General's Office advised they have no further records concerning the incident.

[redacted] queries disclosed CLARK died 01/21/1992. A request to the Mississippi State Department of Health Vital Records yielded a certificate of death (state file number 12392-00359) for CLARK which confirmed the aforementioned death. The death certificate will be maintained in the 44-JN-C32347 1A subfile and a copy scanned into the case file for reference. Pending concurrence of FBIHQ and DOJ, no further investigative action is anticipated in this matter.

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Subfile: CC-34
Subfile Title: LAMAR SMITH
Case Agent: SA [redacted] Hattiesburg RA

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Referral was received from the SPLC in the form of multiple press clippings and a reference in their publication Free At Last: A History of the Civil Rights Movement and Those Who Died in the Struggle concerning the 08/13/1955 shooting death of SMITH by three white males in Brookhaven, Mississippi. According to the article, SMITH was very active in voter registration in Lincoln County, campaigned for candidates he judged to be fair, and even help organize absentee ballot drives among blacks. In July 1955, he campaigned against an incumbent county supervisor. On 08/13/1955, just nine days before a run-off election, SMITH went to the county courthouse on business. Upon arrival, he was approached by several white men who began arguing with him. During the argument, one of the white men pulled out a .38 caliber pistol and shot SMITH at close range.

Brookhaven Sheriff ROBERT CASE was close enough to hear the gunshot and see a blood-splattered white man leave the scene. But it was eight days before he arrested three men for the murder. According to an FBI investigation (44-HQ-9327) into the murder, NOAH SMITH, MACK SMITH, and CHARLES FALVEY were arrested and charged with the death of SMITH. Several State Grand Juries were held, however, due to lack of evidence and testimony, no indictments nor prosecutions ensued. According to a 01/20/1958 memorandum contained in the FBI case file, the state district attorney from Brookhaven advised there

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were no new developments in the investigation and no additional prosecution contemplated. According to [redacted] queries, NOAH SMITH died in Lincoln, Mississippi in June 1975. MACK SMITH died in Lincoln, Mississippi in September 1992. FALVEY died in Copiah, Mississippi in December 1987. A request to the Mississippi State Department of Health Vital Records will be forwarded to obtain a certified copy of the death certificates which will be made part of this case file.

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Subfile: CC-35
Subfile Title: EDDIE STEWART
Case Agent: SA [redacted] JNHQ

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Referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 5) was received in the form of a 07/09/1966 news article, "Mississippi Police Officers Sued in Death of Negro", appearing in the New York Times.

According to the article, a suit filed on behalf of [redacted] named eight officers and alleged [redacted] was beaten and shot to death while in custody. The suit named Colonel [redacted] (head of the Mississippi Highway Patrol), Chief A. D. MORGAN, and the Sheriffs of Hinds and Copiah Counties; Crystal Springs Police Chief [redacted] and men under them. According to the article, STEWART was shot while trying to escape. According to [redacted] queries, AUDICE D. MORGAN died 11/03/1996 in Pike, Mississippi. A request to the Mississippi State Department of Health Vital Records will be forwarded to obtain a certified copy of the death certificate which will be made part of this case file. Subsequent [redacted] and open source Internet queries will be conducted in an attempt to locate [redacted] and [redacted] and determine if they are still alive. If deceased, a request will be made to obtain death certificates. Subsequent open source Internet queries as well as a request forwarded to the SPLC seeking additional information on the incident.

Subfile: CC-36
Subfile Title: ISAIAH TAYLOR
Case Agent: SA [redacted] Greenville RA

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Referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 4) was received in the form of a 07/16/1964 news article, "11 Mysterious Deaths of Negroes Are Listed", appearing in the Mississippi Free Press. According to the article, an unidentified Mississippi Highway Patrol (MHP) officer shot TAYLOR during a routine traffic stop in Ruleville, Mississippi, after TAYLOR lunged at MHP officers with a knife. The shooting was officially ruled a justifiable homicide. The Ruleville Police Department, Sunflower County Sheriff's Office, and the Mississippi Attorney General's Office

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advised they have no records concerning the incident. The Mississippi Highway Patrol advised they may have records of the incident on microfilm, but will need sufficient time to search their archives. Open source Internet queries will be conducted and a request forwarded to the SPLC seeking additional information on the incident.

Subfile: CC-37
Subfile Title: FREDDIE THOMAS
Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] Oxford RA

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Referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 9) was received in the form of a query of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History and a FOIA request to the FBI from the SPLC regarding the 08/19/1965 discovery of the mutilated remains of THOMAS in the middle of Highway 49 in Batesville, Mississippi. The FBI reported the matter to FBIHQ and conducted a full investigation (reference case file 157-3828). Review of the report disclosed THOMAS apparently stepped into oncoming traffic while intoxicated.

Although there were allegations of White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (WKKKK) involvement, the FBI investigation did not substantiate those claims. Review of the redacted FBI report disclosed at least one witness (unidentified) who stated he saw a dark blue or black Plymouth sedan in the area where THOMAS' body was discovered. He stated something resembling a body was thrown from the Plymouth. He remained hidden in a field until the Plymouth left. He then ran in the opposite direction to his house. He stated there appeared to be three or four men in the car. He had not seen the car before and was unable to identify the men. A request will be made to FBIHQ to locate an un-redacted version of the aforementioned case file.

A thorough review of the case file will be conducted to determine any potential investigative leads. A request for records concerning the incident will be made to the Batesville Police Department, Panola County Sheriff's Office, and the Mississippi Attorney General's Office.

Subfile: CC-38
Subfile Title: SALEAM TRIGGS
Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] Hattiesburg RA

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Referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-REFERRALS Serial 8) was received in the form of a document identified as a Mississippi National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) Annual Report. The report provides limited details concerning a resident of Hattiesburg, Mississippi, identified as TRIGGS, a female, who "mysteriously burned to death." A request for records reviews will be forwarded to the Hattiesburg Police Department, Forrest

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County Sheriff's Office, and Mississippi Attorney General's Office.
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Subfile: CC-39

Subfile Title: CLIFTON WALKER

Case Agent: SA [REDACTED] Hattiesburg RA

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Referral (reference 44-JN-C32347-1 Serial 1) was received in the form of a 04/06/1964 news article, "Natchez Man Might Be KKK Lynch Victim", appearing in the Mississippi Free Press. WALKER, from Wilkinson County, Mississippi, died from a shotgun blast in his home near Woodville, Mississippi. It was believed WALKER was shot for having sex with several white women in the area. The original matter was investigated by the Mississippi Highway Patrol (MHP) and no suspects identified. A request will be forwarded to the MHP to review their archives for any information concerning the investigation. This matter was referenced in Jackson Division case file 44A-JN-31440, and investigated in 1964 (case file 157-414). A lead will be forwarded to retrieve the aforementioned case file from FBIHQ archives. A copy of FBIHQ case file (44-24710) concerning the incident has been obtained and will be reviewed for any potential investigative leads. Initial review of the file disclosed the matter was initiated on 03/02/1964 following a complaint received by FBI New Orleans concerning WALKER's death and alleged local authorities had not fully investigated the matter. According to the FBI teletype, WALKER was murdered on the night of 02/28/29/1964 on the way home from employment in Natchez, Mississippi. The teletype further details there was no indication WALKER was connected with racial or voter registration activities. The Wilkinson County District Attorney's Office and Mississippi Attorney General's Office advised they have no records concerning the incident. A request will also be forwarded to the SPLC seeking additional information concerning the incident.

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LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1: (Info)

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE

AT WASHINGTON, DC

For Civil Rights Unit: Review communication for information concerning the opening of subfiles as repositories of Civil Rights Era Cold Case referrals to be examined for investigative potential.

Set Lead 2: (Action)

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AT OXFORD, MS

For Squad 7: Review communication for information concerning investigative subfiles opened and assigned to agents within the Columbus, Greenville, Oxford, and Tupelo Resident Agencies. Forward copies of this communication to the attention of the agents referenced in this communication.

Set Lead 3: (Action)

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AT GULFPORT, MS

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Precedence: IMMEDIATE

Date: 11/21/1995

To: OKLAHOMA CITY

Attn: SQUAD # 4 SUPERVISOR

From: SSRA [redacted]

Muskogee RA/Squad 3

Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted]

Case ID #: 174B-OC-56462 (Pending)

Title: [redacted]

CONSPIRACY TO BOMB

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

Synopsis: request interview of individual in Oklahoma City

Details: On 11/21/95, Deputy [redacted] US Marshals Service (USMS), Muskogee, Oklahoma, telephone [redacted] telephoned SSRA Muskogee to state that the USMS, Oklahoma City, is in contact with [redacted] (Deputy [redacted] did not know name) [redacted]

[redacted] that was threatened some time ago by [redacted]

[redacted] Deputy [redacted] USMS, Oklahoma City, [redacted] [redacted] Beeper [redacted] PIN # [redacted] should be contacted to make arrangements to identify and interview the victim of the threats. Deputy [redacted] is also aware of the information. It is noted that the USMS has been very helpful to the FBI in the captioned investigation. The USMS has requested that Deputy [redacted] or [redacted] accompany the FBI Agent on the interview of the victim.

Expedited coverage of this lead is requested in order to assist the Government in a detention hearing for [redacted]

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Benjamin Brown killed in Jackson, Miss. on May 12, 1967

I also respectfully request a readable and legible copy of documents in any file, or any form, that is maintained with substantial references. In addition, I respectfully request that you search the manual card records.

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Negro Rioting Leaves 1 Dead

Guard Called Into Jackson State Area

By MIKE SMITH AND BILL RAINEY
Daily News Staff Writers

Mayor Allen Thompson today promised "prosecution to the fullest" for those responsible for two days of violent rioting at Jackson State College which left one man dead.

The rioting and looting was quelled early today by massive police and military force.

Traffic was allowed into the area at dawn today, but city policemen, highway patrolmen kept a close eye over the half-mile stretch of Lynch Street which has been a battleground.

University Hospital officials reported Benjamin Brown, a 22-year-old Negro truck driver, died at 4:42 a.m. today of gunshot wounds received in rioting last night.

Another Negro, Cleothus Jackson, a 19-year-old Jackson

Additional Photos On Page 10-B

State student from Greenville, was wounded in the same skirmish with police. His injuries were serious.

They were shot as they charged a squad of policemen, hurling rocks and bottles into the officers' ranks.

After National Guard troops and police quelled the violence, 12 Negroes were arrested for violating the emergency curfew imposed on the area. Another was arrested for looting a store.

Briefly, the chronological events of the riot were:

—10:45 p.m. Wednesday: Two
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NEGRO RIOTING

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Negro police officers attempt to arrest a speeder on the Jackson State College campus and are harassed by swarms of students.

Midnight Wednesday: Student riot in full swing as police are attacked with rocks and bottles, barricades burned and a drug store looted.

Dawn Thursday: City police under orders — have fallen back before the rioters and seal off the campus area without further violence.

8 a.m. Thursday: Mayor Allen Thompson pleads with student mob for end to violence. But the area remains sealed off during the day.

8 p.m.: Students build fire in the center of Lynch Street in the campus area.

8:30 p.m.: Mob of 50-100 Negroes — many of them evidently in their early teens — march towards the downtown area chanting "Hell no, we ain't goin'."

City police again abandon their barricades and fall back another block before the marchers, but several plainclothes highway patrol officers — wearing helmets and carrying shotguns — remain at the barricades across Lynch Street at the Rose Street intersection.

The marchers knock down the barricades, then suddenly begin throwing rocks and broken bottles at the patrolmen.

A bottle strikes Patrol Identification Officer Dewey Weems, opening a bloody wound on the back of his neck. As he is struck, Weems fires his scattergun over his crowd and it retreats. Weems is rushed to a hospital.

9:05 p.m.: After rallying around the bonfire, several hundred demonstrators again march toward the police barricade. By now it is protected by a squad of about 30 city policemen wearing gas masks and carrying shotguns and rifles.

The demonstrators close in on the policemen and suddenly shower them with rocks and bottles.

After several minutes, the police are ordered to fire. Most shots go over the heads of the demonstrators, but as they run back towards the campus one body lies sprawled across the south curb.

No one goes to the body for several minutes until police are certain the area is clear. An ambulance is sent for, and bystanders report the wounded man — Benjamin Brown — has suffered bloody wounds of the head and back. Brown died some seven hours later.

9:15 p.m.: A big National Guard armored personnel carrier, flanked by a squad of troops with fixed bayonets and led personally by Mississippi Adjutant General Walter Johnson moves down Lynch Street, scattering the rioters.

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NEGRO RIOTING

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When the procession reaches the college campus, students heckle the troops from the campus on both sides of the street.

Several times, guardsmen rush to the fences lining the street and level submachine guns at the cursing students, who retreat.

At one point, a bottle is thrown into the street in front of the troops. Several officers rush to a campus entrance, but a student pleads for the troops not to enter the campus.

The troops never enter the campus itself, and the cursing subsides.

10:30 p.m.: After the march down Lynch Street, police and highway patrolmen fan out into side streets searching for anyone violating the curfew. A number of arrests are made.

A city fire engine moves in to extinguish the remains of the bonfire in Lynch Street. It is followed by city maintenance crews who begin removing the rubble from the streets.

Midnight: Police continue searching for curfew violators using big searchlight trucks. There are scattered instances of violence as straggling rioters pelt police with bottles and rocks, then run. Some are caught. Maintenance crews continue to clear the streets.

3:30 a.m. today: Police apprehended a young Negro in the M-L-S Drug Store on Lynch Street in the riot area. He is identified as 18-year-old Wilford Lee Thames, 1157 Cleary St., and is jailed on burglary charges.

The M-L-S store is the one looted during the first rioting Wednesday night. Several other stores were damaged Thursday night, including Paul's liquor store on Dalton Street only 100 feet from the campus.

Dawn today: The streets of the area are clean, but the covers the sidewalks and traffic is allowed into the area but police keep a close watch on all activities.

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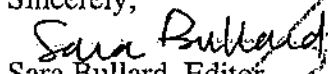
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O B I T U A R Y

Mr. Charlest Jackson, a co-founder of the NAACP's Natchez branch, was born in Washington County, Florida. He was an active and devoted member of St. Paul AME Church, the Natchez Democratic Club, and the H. R. Revels Masonic Lodge No. 3. Mr. Jackson, who was treasurer of the NAACP Natchez branch, served his country as a soldier in Korea. He was married to the former Evelyn Williams, March 17, 1954. Immediate survivors include his beloved wife, four daughters: Debra, Doris, Denise, Delersie; one son, Charlest, Jr.; a father, Rev. Willie F. Jackson; four sisters, Mrs. Henrietta Potter, Mrs. Dora Edwards, Mrs. Doris McWilliams, Miss Ola Phea Jackson; two brothers, Warren and Louis.

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Interment at the Natchez National Cemetery. CURTIS FUNERAL HOME IN CHARGE OF ARRANGEMENTS

P R O C E S S I O N A L

HYMN "Servant of God, Well Done"

PRAYER

Rev. L.G. Green

SCRIPTURE

Rev. W.S. Scott

SELECTION. "Amazing Grace". . . . The Choir

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SOLO.. "There is No Failure in God".. Willie Minor

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REGISTRAR'S NO. 1-222-66

1. PLACE OF DEATH a. COUNTY Adams		2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived, if institution: Residence before admission) a. STATE Mississippi b. COUNTY Adams	
3. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION Kingston		c. LENGTH OF STAY IN 18 6	
4. NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION (If not in hospital, give street address)		d. STREET ADDRESS Route 1 Box 35	
5. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☐ NO ☒		e. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☐ NO ☒	
6. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES ☒ NO ☐		f. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES ☒ NO ☐	
7. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print) Ben Chester White		8. DATE OF DEATH Month 6 - Day 10 - Year 66	
9. SEX Male	10. COLOR OR RACE Colored	11. MARRIED ☐ NEVER MARRIED ☐ WIDOWED ☐ DIVORCED ☒	12. DATE OF BIRTH 2 - 6 - 1899
13. AGE (In years last birthday) 67		14. AGE (In years last birthday) 67	
15. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired) Farming		16. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY James H. Carter	
17. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) Mississippi		18. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? USA	
19. FATHER'S NAME Alex White, Sr.		20. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME Clavina Green	
21. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U. S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown) (If yes, give year or dates of service) NO		22. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 427-18-9202	
23. IMPORTANT Mrs. Elnora Pickering		24. ADDRESS Route 1 Box 35 Roxie, Miss.	
25. CAUSE OF DEATH (Enter only one cause for line for (a), (b), and (c).) PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY: IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) You shot wounds Conditions, if any, which gave rise to above cause (a), stating the underlying cause last. Coroner's jury verdict DUE TO (b) apparently suffered by self DUE TO (c) 981X PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I (a)		26. INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH 981X	
27. ACCIDENT ☐ SUICIDE ☐ HOMICIDE ☒		28. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED. (Enter nature of injury in Part I or Part II of item 18.)	
29. TIME OF INJURY Hour 6 a. m. 11 p. m. 1966		30. PLACE OF INJURY (e. g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office bldg., etc.)	
31. INJURY OCCURRED WHILE AT WORK ☐ NOT WHILE AT WORK ☐		32. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION Natchez	
33. I attended the deceased from _____ to _____ and last saw her alive on _____ Death occurred at _____ on the date stated above; and to the best of my knowledge, from the causes stated.		34. COUNTY Adams	
35. STATE Miss		36. DATE SIGNED 6-13-66	
37. SIGNATURE R. E. Smith, Coroner		38. ADDRESS Natchez, Miss	
39. BURIAL, CREMATION, or other disposal Burial		40. DATE 6-14-66	
41. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY Old Windy Hill Cemetery		42. LOCATION (City, town, or county) Adams County, Mississippi	
43. FUNERAL DIRECTOR Geo. F. West Funeral Home, Natchez, Miss		44. DATE RECD. BY LOCAL REG. 6-17-66	
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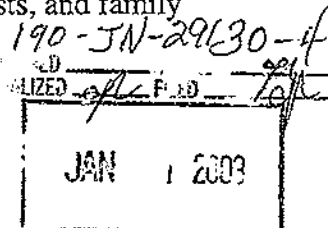
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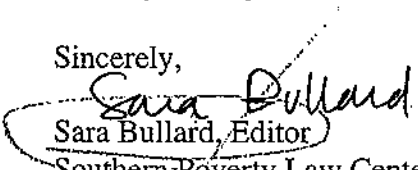
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He has been a member of the Shady Grove Baptist Church since early childhood, where he served as Music Director and Sunday School teacher for a great number of years. At his death, he was Chairman of the Church's Building Fund and Superintendent of the Sunday School.

He was a Merchant, a Lumberman, a Farmer and a friend to his community and the surrounding area.

He served for many years as president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in Forrest County, Hattiesburg, Miss.

He married Ellie Jewell Davis of Rose Hill, Miss. in March, 1952. He leaves eight children, Vernon Jr., Martinez, Carroll, George, Harold, Alvin, Dennis and Bettye; seven grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

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June 21, 2002

Civil Rights Trio Killings: A Timeline Of Events

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1964

June 16: Klansmen beat members of Mount Zion Methodist Church in Neshoba County and burn down the church building.

June 21: Civil rights workers Michael Schwerner, Andrew Goodman and James Chaney travel in their station wagon to investigate. They're arrested and jailed, then released. Returning home, they're killed by more than 20 Klansmen.

June 23: FBI agents find the burned-out station wagon 13 miles northeast of Philadelphia in a swamp.

Aug. 4: FBI agents find the trio's bodies buried 15 feet beneath an earthen dam.

Dec. 4: FBI arrests 21 suspects in connection with the trio's killings. The 19 men charged with conspiring to deprive the trio of their constitutional rights are Olen Burrage, Otha Neal Burkes, Edgar Ray Killen, Neshoba County Sheriff Lawrence Rainey, Deputy Cecil Price, Billy Wayne Posey, Jerry McGrew Sharpe, Jimmy Lee Townsend, Herman Tucker, Bernard Akin, Jimmy Arledge, Horace Doyle Barnette, Travis Maryn Barnette, James "Pete" Harris, Frank Herndon, James Edward Jordan, Alton Wayne Roberts, Jimmy Snowden and Oliver Warner Jr. Earl Akin and Tommy Horne are arrested on charges of withholding knowledge of a felony.

Dec. 10: U.S. Commissioner Esther Carter dismisses the charges because Horace Doyle Barnette, who confessed, isn't present to testify.

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1965

Jan. 15: FBI arrests 18 in connection with the trio's killings. Original defendants Earl Akin, Burkes, Horne and Warner aren't indicted. Philadelphia Patrolman Richard Willis is added as a suspect.

Feb. 25-26: U.S. District Judge William Harold Cox of Jackson dismisses felony charges against all defendants except Jordan. Cox rules the law does not



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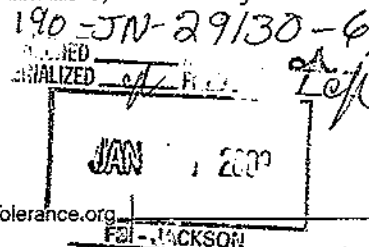
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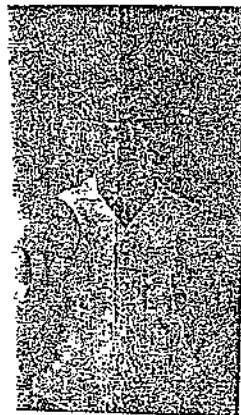
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with a National Guard pilot, covered an approximate 20 square mile area Tuesday morning for the missing plane. Kirby said they found no trace.

The area is about three miles wide and six miles long, on the Franklin-Amite county line.

July 16, 1964

2 Local Negroes Thought Found In Miss. River

Two headless bodies fished out of the Mississippi River near Tallulah, La., have been tentatively identified as those of two Franklin county Negro men, missing since mid-May.

Positive medical identification was impossible, according to reports received here. When the first body was recovered, officers immediately linked the find to Philadelphia, Miss., and the three missing Council of Federated Organizations workers missing from there for several weeks.

The first body was thought to be Charles Moore, of near Meadville. Articles in his pocket were identified by the president of Alcorn A & M College near Lorman, as having been issued to Moore.

Moore was expelled along with several hundred other students following a riot on the campus last spring.

The second body was thought to be that of Henry Dees, a Roxie sawmill worker.

The men left Franklin county sometime in May, reportedly heading for Albany, La., to visit relatives and look for work.

Franklin county Sheriff Wayne Hutto said he called relatives of Moore in Albany at the request of Moore's mother who lives near Meadville. Hutto was told at that time that the men were there and safe.

Since that time, the persons in Albany have denied to officers and newsmen that Moore and Dees were in Albany.

Officers and newsmen working directly on the incident are reportedly discounting possibility that the two were involved in racial conflicts.

noon Wednesday.

It was reported a search party from Baton Rouge would enter the search area, but Sheriff's officers had not seen them by noon Wednesday.

Will Temple, who lives in the general area of the search, reported that on the night of July 2 he heard three muffled expla-



Siloam Revival Begins Sunday

Sunday, July 19th, marks the opening day of the revival meeting at Siloam Baptist Church. The services will include Sunday School at 10:00 and morning worship at 11:00. There will be an old-fashion dinner on the grounds at 12:00, with an afternoon service at 1:15.

Rev. Oliver C. Ladnier, pastor of the North McComb Baptist Church, will be the visiting evangelist. Rev. Ladnier is an outstanding pastor, preacher and evangelist, according to Rev. Franklin Haire, pastor of Siloam.

The services during the week will be at 10:30 in the morning with the evening services beginning at 7:30. Old-fashioned gospel singing will highlight every service followed with an inspiring gospel message by Bro. Ladnier. The pastor and church extends a very cordial welcome to all of these revival services.

were ear headlights, but no cars came up the road. Moments later he heard the explosions and saw flames which burned for approximately 30 minutes.

It was reported that Turner's plane was equipped with strong landing lights and also wing tanks in addition to its main tank.

Sheriff's officers were checking out reports from a logging crew, which works in the vicinity, that they had noticed a peculiar smell last Tuesday. At the time they thought it was a dead mule, known to be within a mile of their location.

Latest reports from Sheriff's office say they have noticed no offensive smells in the area during their manhunt.

Ranger Kirby and others doubt that the plane crashed in the area they are searching, because of an absence of burned or broken trees.

Franklin Memorial Hospital Report

July 13, 1964

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COLOR: Beatrice White, Meadville; Alkers James, Bude; Leola Hall, Rt. 2, Roxie; Pauline Hunt, Rt. 2, Roxie; Florence Champ, Rt. 1, Meadville; Ed Higginbotham, Roxie;

BIRTHS: Mrs. Clyde Mitchell, baby girl, Meadville;

DISCHARGED: Mrs. W. R. Nettles, Miss Charlyne Costley, Mr. William M. Dillon, Mr. Willie Ray Cowart, Mrs. Murray Sykes, Mrs. C. H. Arnold, Nancy Vanderson, Mr. D. C. Griffin, Mrs. Mattie Impson, Mrs. Agnes Maury, Mr. Leroy Mulkey, Mr. Claude Smith, Mrs. James Travis, Beatrice White, Mrs. Mamie P. Dunn, Mr. R. E. Hancock, Master Carl Wactor, Jr., Mr. Marvin Halford, Mr. S. C. McCormick.

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Diving (boys 14 & over)

Mike Mullins, 1st; Billy Wil-

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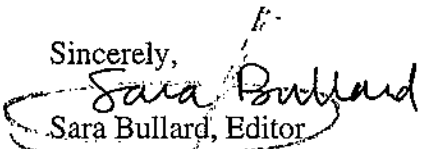
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MEDGAR'S MURDER

June 11, 1963 was a critical day for the Civil Rights Movement in the U.S. A basic tactic of the movement had been to provoke the intervention of the federal government to stop the Southern states from denying to Black people rights which were guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution.

On June 11, President John F. Kennedy went on television and declared "the heart of the question is whether all Americans are to be afforded equal rights and equal opportunities, whether we are going to treat our fellow Americans as we want to be treated . . ." He explained the provisions of what would become the Civil Rights Act of 1964 which outlawed segregation in public facilities, speeded up school desegregation, and protected voting rights.

Kennedy's speech was a response to George Wallace's slapping the Federal government in the face by standing in the school house door at the University of Alabama to prevent the enrollment of two Black students.

Also on June 11, a minister and Civil Rights leader was the target of an attack in Louisiana and Bernard Lafayette, another Civil Rights activist, was almost beaten to death in Alabama. This was all part of what is revealed in FBI reports as a conspiracy to kill Civil Rights leaders in several states. Fannie Lou Hamer, June Johnson and others had also been incarcerated in jail in Winona, MS.

And on June 12, Medgar Evers was shot in Mississippi. Medgar, his family, and friends always knew that one day "they"—the system of racism and exploitation that opposed democracy and equal rights—would try to kill him.



"If I die, it will be for a good cause. I've been fighting for America just as much as the soldiers in Vietnam."

Medgar Evers

2—THE WASHINGTON DAILY NEWS, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, 1963

Shot by Sniper in Jackson

NAACP Leader Is Killed in Miss.

JACKSON, Miss., June 12 (UPI)—The top integration strategist for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in Mississippi was shot to death by a sniper early today while returning from a civil rights rally.

The slaying of Medgar Evers, 37, followed by only hours a plan by President Kennedy for a racial Civil Rights Act to put out "fires of fear and discord" among Negroes throughout the nation.

It was the third death in the South in two months involving participants in racial activities.

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MEDGAR EVERS

who believed in America and died defending its principles.

Mr. Evers' wife, Myrtle, and their three children, Darrell 9, Denise 8, and Van Oke 3, were waiting for him to come home from the rally when he was slain. Mrs. Evers said she heard her husband drive up and then heard shots. His family rushed outside, she said, and the children called to him and asked him several times to get up.

POLICE REPORT

Detective John Chambliss said a preliminary investigation indicated Mr. Evers, whose house was hit by a "Molotov cocktail" last month, was shot from a vantage point across the street from his home.

Blood was spattered on Mr. Evers' car which he had parked in the driveway of his home.

Medgar left a mass meeting and proceeded home about midnight. As he emerged from his car with a bundle of "Jim Crow Must Go" sweatshirts in his arms, he was shot in the back with a high powered rifle. He died an hour later in the Ole Miss Hospital in Jackson.

Twenty-five thousand people viewed his body and thousands of people marched at Medgar's funeral on June 15, including many national leaders. The march turned into a protest rally as the group marched to downtown Jackson to demonstrate and visit the funeral home. Almost two hundred people had been arrested on the day following Medgar's assassination.



Bryon de La Beckwith hid in these bushes across from Medgar's house and shot him in the back with a high-powered rifle. Noted Mississippi writer Eudora Welty wrote a fictionalized short story in 1963 called "Where Is the Voice Coming From?" which treats this "wrenchingly painful and humiliating" act.



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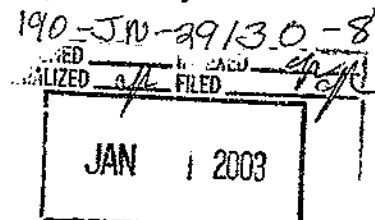
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CERTIFICATE OF DEATH STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

STATE
FILE NO.

9776

REGISTRAR'S NO.

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BIRTH NO.

1. PLACE OF DEATH
a. COUNTY

Pearl River

2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived. If institution: Residence before admission)
a. STATE

Mississippi

b. COUNTY

Lamar

3. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION

c. LENGTH OF STAY IN ID

c. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION

Lumberton

4. NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION (If not in hospital, give street address)

4. STREET ADDRESS
Six Short Street

5. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS?

YES ☐ NO ☐

6. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS?

YES ☐ NO ☐

7. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM?

YES ☐ NO ☒

3. NAME OF DECEASED
(Type or print)

First Middle Last
Mack Charles Parker

4. DATE OF DEATH

Month Day Year
4 25 1959

5. DATE OF BIRTH

Mar. 20, 1936

9. AGE (In years last birthday)

23

10. UNDER 1 YEAR or UNDER 5 yrs.
Months Days Hours Mins.

11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country)

Tylertown, Miss.

12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY?

U.S.A.

10. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired)

Truck Driver

100. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY

Underwood

14. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME

Mrs. Eliza Parker-Lumberton, Miss.

13. FATHER'S NAME

Mr. Peter Parker-Lumberton, Miss.

16. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES?
(7 yrs. min. or unknown) (If yes, give year or dates of service)

Yes

Korean Conflict

18. SOCIAL SECURITY NO.

17. IMPROBANT

Mrs. Delorse Underwood-Lumberton, Miss.

18. CAUSE OF DEATH (Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c).)

PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY:

IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a)

GUN SHOT WOUND - OF HEART

INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH

Immediate

Conditions, if any, which gave rise to above cause (a), stating the underlying cause last.

DUE TO (b)

DUE TO (c)

PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I (a)

NOT able to determine DUE TO Decomposition

20a. ACCIDENT

SUICIDE

HOMICIDE

20b. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED. (Enter nature of injury in Part I or Part II of item 18.)

SHOT BY LYNCH MOB. OR BY PERSONS

20c. TIME OF INJURY

Hour Month Day Year
P. M. 4 25 59

20d. INJURY OCCURRED

WHILE AT WORK

NOT WHILE AT WORK

20e. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office bldg., etc.)

EXACT UNKNOWN BY M.A. IN

20f. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION

Highway 26 West of Poplarville, Miss.

COUNTY

PEARL RIVER COUNTY (Apparent)

STATE

MISSISSIPPI

21. I attended the deceased from

on the date stated above; and to the best of my knowledge, from the causes stated.

22a. SIGNATURE

W. H. Stringer

(Degree or title)

M.D.

22b. ADDRESS

Poplarville, Miss.

22c. DATE SIGNED

6/29/59

23a. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify)

Burial

23b. DATE

5/5/1959

23c. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY

Lumberton Cemetery

23d. LOCATION (City, town, or county)

Lumberton, Mississippi

24. FUNERAL DIRECTOR

Hall Funeral Home-Lumberton, Miss.

25. DATE RECD. BY LOCAL REG.

6-30-59

26. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE

Elaine J. Hall

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE ON FILE IN THIS OFFICE.

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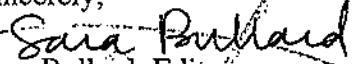
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BODY:

On Aug. 28, 1955, Emmett Louis Till, a black teen-ager from Chicago, was beaten beyond recognition and shot to death while visiting relatives in Money, Miss. Till's body was found three days later in a river - one eye gouged out, a bullet in his skull, the side of his head crushed.

The spark for the slaying was small: Till made a remark to a white woman. What it wrought was enormous: The death of the 14-year-old helped galvanize the civil rights movement. Accounts differ as to just what Till said to Carolyn Bryant, the wife of a store owner. One version has him saying, "How about a date, baby?" Another says he whistled at her.

What happened next is clear. Bryant's husband, Roy Bryant, and his half- brother, J.W. Milam, were charged with Till's killing. They said they kidnapped Till, but left him alive.

An all-white jury deliberated one hour before finding them innocent.

A month after the trial, in an interview with Look magazine, Milam admitted that he and Bryant had killed Till. Said Milam: "What else could I do? He thought he was good as any white man."

Milam is dead. Bryant, now 61, blind and disabled, lives in Ruleville, Miss., close to where Till was abducted.

"I still get death threats," Bryant says. "It's been about 40 years. It's dead, or at least should be dead. I'm just not going to talk about it."

There is virtually no possibility of further legal action against Bryant.

Because he was acquitted in a murder trial, he can't be tried again for murder. Federal prosecutors can't do anything: The statute of limitations is five years on civil rights charges.

Till's mother, Mamie Till Mobley, 70, still is waiting for answers.

"I feel like Emmett will never be able to rest ... until people can see some kind of justice taking place," Mobley says.

But Mobley is "relatively at peace" over the death of her only child. "This is because I was so deeply in the valley of despair that I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Vengeance is mine.' "



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National

Reports

Mississippi Murder Stirs Negroes

By Simeon Booker

NEAR MIDNIGHT on May 7, 1955, the Reverend George W. Lee was driving home in Belzoni, Mississippi. He had just gotten his pressed pants from a tailor shop in readiness for preaching Sunday. As he drove along Church Street, nearing the Negro ghetto, a convertible pulled up beside him. There was a shot, then a second shot. Reverend Lee's car spun crazily from the dirt street, swerved across a walk and crashed into a shanty house, knocking the structure from its foundation and almost scaring to death the occupant, mid-wife Katherine Blair.

His face partially blown off, Reverend Lee groped from his wrecked car and staggered blindly. Two Negro taxicab drivers ran to him and helped him into their cab. He died on the way to a hospital.

Called to investigate, Belzoni Sheriff Ike Shelton took one look at the lifeless body and pronounced the death due to a concussion from the traffic accident. But Widow Lulu was not so sure. Despite Sheriff Shelton's attempts to persuade her to turn the body over to a Negro funeral home without the benefit of an autopsy, Mrs. Lee summoned two of her husband's best friends, Dr. C. G. Battle, 28-year-old Indianola physician and Dr. Cyrus Walden, a Yazoo City surgeon. Their examination disclosed a number of lead pellets about the minister's face and head. One shot

had passed through the neck at the throat, accounting for the fact that the minister was unable to talk en route to the hospital.

Meanwhile, since Belzoni telephone operators found it necessary to inform would-be Negro customers that all long distance lines were tied up, certain Negro leaders decided that the best way to break the news blackout was to organize expeditions to distant places. They agreed to send a carload of citizens to Dr. T. R. M. Howard, president of the powerful Mississippi Council of Negro Leadership, in Mound Bayou, and to Dr. A. H. McCoy, president of the much-feared National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, in Jackson.

Shocked at the news, Dr. Howard immediately telephoned Detroit Negro Congressman Charles C. Diggs (who two weeks before had addressed a 13,000-person Council meeting in Mound Bayou which was attended by Reverend Lee). Diggs notified the White House as did the New York NAACP office, which Dr. McCoy had contacted. Later Dr. McCoy, after making a probe of the death car and finding lead pellets in a front tire, asked Mississippi Governor Hugh White to order an investigation of the killing. He was informed that the Governor "pays no attention to NAACP requests."

As a result of the national publicity given to what he and Dixie dailies reported originally as a "freak accident," Sheriff Shelton decided to send the gathered evidence to the Federal Bureau of Investigation laboratory in Washington. The autopsy

report came back several days later. The conclusion: death from a hemorrhage and asphyxiation. Evidence of lead pellets. Taken aback by his error, the sheriff theorized that Reverend Lee, being a "ladies' man," was probably killed by a rival. Painfully, however, he ordered a new investigation—Mississippi-style.

For a Negro Mississippi preacher, Reverend Lee was a powerhouse. He pastored four rural churches, and operated a grocery store and a printing shop. Unlike his brethren, he preached well beyond the range of the Bible and Heaven and the Glory Road. As an officer of the civil rights-minded Mississippi Council of Negro Leadership and a member of the NAACP, he sermonized about voting and eventually electing a Negro congressman.

Already annoyed by last year's Supreme Court decision outlawing Jim Crow public schools, the white planters, business people and church leaders decided to really crush the "revolutionary movement" within their midst. Organizing a White Citizens Council, they advocated the sanctioning of economic pressures and began financially mopping up the Negro leaders.

As one of Belzoni's first Negro vote registrants, Reverend Lee was a major target. The most militant Negro preacher in the Delta, he was warned "to get his name off the voting list or else." He received threatening telephone calls and members of his congregation frequently warned him of plans brewing among whites to eliminate him. But Reverend Lee refused to turn back. In paying his

last respects to his fallen comrade, Dr. Howard noted that "There are still some Negroes left in Mississippi who would sell their grandmas for 50c. But Reverend Lee was not one of them."

Although he is one of the wealthiest Negroes in the state, Dr. Howard, 47, has staked his fortune to help his people. Founder of a clinic, insurance company, vegetable growers' association and a \$300,000 cotton gin operators' organization, he is known throughout the Delta for his hard-hitting Mississippi Council of Negro Leadership. Yearly the organization sponsors mass meetings in all-Negro Mound Bayou which feature outstanding speakers, such as Congressman Diggs and William L. Dawson (D., Ill.), and draw crowds above 12,000. Because of his aggressiveness for civil rights, Dr. Howard is the most hated Negro in the state; he has received more death threats than any other leader. While talking to FBI agents about the Lee killing, he received an anonymous telephone call that he was "next on the list."

His courage has attracted a new roster of outspoken Negro leaders and has touched off a full scale battle for civil rights, probably better organized in Mississippi than anywhere else in the Deep South. Among his top lieutenants are men who have personally suffered but who are continuing to stand up: Gus Courts and Fred Myles, Belzoni grocers who are unable to buy food from city wholesalers because of their militancy; T. V. Johnson, Belzoni undertaker who has been bucking economic pressure for months; Dr. Battle, the first Negro to vote in his county since Reconstruction, and Dr. James Stringer, Columbus dentist and former NAACP state president. Their combined leadership has awakened an entire generation of Mississippi Negroes. For the first time in state history their organized effort is causing rumblings from frightened white politicians.

"Reverend Lee was a warrior," charged Dr. Howard. "And he was

SIMEON BOOKER, a former Harvard Nieman Fellow and reporter for the Washington Post, is now national editor of Jet magazine. He was the first reporter on the scene in Belzoni.

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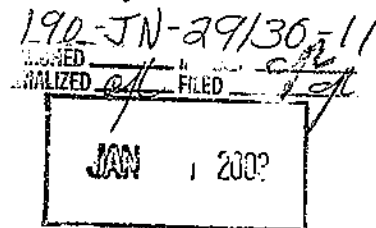
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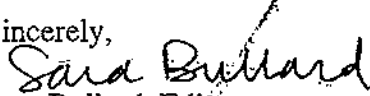
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HEADLINE: First look at secret files: Obsession with "agitators"

BYLINE: By JAY HUGHES, Associated Press Writer

DATELINE: JACKSON, Miss.

BODY:

The secrets of Mississippi's segregation enforcement agency spilled from computer screens Tuesday, painting a picture of petty, small-town espionage and alarming invasions of individual privacy.

The Mississippi Sovereignty Commission, created by a nervous Legislature in 1956, two years after federally ordered school integration, employed dozens of agents and informants to ferret out gossip, tall tales and, sometimes, facts about those involved in civil rights and voter registration drives in the state.

Twenty-one years later, lawmakers tried to bury the commission's transgressions by sealing its files for 50 years. But civil rights activists and the American Civil Liberties Union sued to make them public. It took 21 years more, but on Tuesday, with yellowed newspaper clippings and well-thumbed reports translated to computer files, anyone who cared to stand in line at the Archives & History Department could search the records.

Much that came to light were repetitious accounts of ordinary daily doings. Any meeting of blacks or civil rights sympathizers was sure to produce a list of license tag numbers of cars parked outside.

But some files are revealing in their intensity. The segregation gatekeepers were so disturbed when **Clyde Kennard** tried to integrate the University of Southern Mississippi, for example, that they unleashed investigators who dug up the most minute details of his then 32 years.

A 37-page report compiled in December 1958 shows the vacuum-cleaner approach used by Sovereignty Commission agents. Kennard's file stands out in its detail, starting with his birth certificate number. Agents sucked up information on virtually every facet of his life thereafter: high school and college grades, credit and work history, U.S. Army records, his purchase of chicken feed, his mortgage and a letter to the Hattiesburg American newspaper advocating integration.

Criminal charges were even manufactured - possession of illegal whiskey in a dry county - to keep the "integration agitator" out of the university, Sovereignty Commission records released Tuesday show.

The more segregationists feared a person, the deeper commission spies dug into his or her background, said David Ingebretsen, executive director of the ACLU of Mississippi, who has studied hundreds of pages of documents in the 21-year fight to get them opened.

"I think there's a correlation there," he said. "It (the Kennard file) certainly stands out as one of the more thorough investigations."

Another individual receiving intense scrutiny was Michael Schwerner, one of three civil rights workers who disappeared June 21, 1964, in Neshoba County. Their bodies were found 44 days later in an earthen dam.

Commission files paint a picture of a murder investigation completely dominated by the FBI, humiliating county and state law officers.

Documents speak of FBI bribes and threats to get leads into the disappearances of Schwerner, Andrew Goodman and James Chaney, frustration from local authorities at being kept in the dark, and claims by unidentified informants about local tattlers.

In July 1964, Neshoba County Sheriff Lawrence Rainey told the Sovereignty Commission he expected to be arrested by the FBI for his involvement in the deaths. Six months later, Rainey and his chief deputy, Cecil Price, were behind bars.

Eight klansmen went to prison on federal conspiracy charges. The state never brought murder charges in the case, which inspired the film "Mississippi Burning."

In pursuing Kennard, commission investigator Zach Van Landingham, a now deceased former FBI agent, interviewed Kennard's former teachers and several black pastors, asking about his involvement in the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and speculating on his family tree, which one person interviewed said included white ancestors.

"Confidential informant T-1" supplied Van Landingham with information about Kennard's job history.

Van Landingham also included his own opinions, such as this summary of Kennard's debts compared to his income: "He has shown no sense of responsibility in meeting his obligations. This seems to be a characteristic of the Negro race in general, as shown in the extensive files of this organization."

Kennard tried to apply three times to Southern Mississippi College, as the university was then known. After the third rejection, on Sept. 15, 1959, Kennard was arrested for illegal possession of liquor.

Sovereignty Commission records show whiskey was planted in his car to keep him from enrolling in the school. The Mississippi Supreme Court cleared Kennard of the charge in 1990 - 27 years after he died of intestinal cancer in Chicago.

The files seen Tuesday left the impression that much of the commission's labor was little more than a clipping service, clogged with readily available information on individuals suspected of being communists or threats to segregation.

Furthermore, indications have been clear since the files were sealed that the records had been purged of most evidence potentially incriminating to commission and the state.



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11 Mysterious Deaths Of Negroes Are Listed

JACKSON, Miss., July 15 (UPI)—Negro leader Charles Evers charged today that at least 11 Negroes had been killed under mysterious circumstances in Mississippi since the ambush slaying of his brother, Medgar, last year.

Evers released a list giving the names of nine of the alleged victims, including Charles Moore and Henry Dee, both 19, of Meadville, parts of whose bodies were believed to have been found in the Mississippi River early this week.

Evers, state field director for the NAACP, said he did not have the names or particulars involving two other alleged victims.

Evers's list did not include James Chaney of Meridian, one of three civil rights workers who vanished more than three weeks ago in the Philadelphia, Miss., area. The other two workers were white.

The victims listed by Evers were:

- Ernest Jells, 21, shot to death at Clarksdale last Sept. 29 by police officers. Local authorities said Jells was accused of stealing a banana from a grocery and pointing a rifle at pursuing officers. The officers were exonerated.

- Louis Allen, 44, Negro logger killed in the driveway of his home near Liberty Jan. 31 by two shotgun blasts in the head. Sheriff Daniel Jones said he did not believe the killing was racially inspired. Civil rights groups claimed the shooting stemmed from the slaying of another Negro in 1961 by a state legislator, which Allen witnessed. A coroner's jury ruled justifiable homicide in the 1961 case.

- Silar Gaston, 26, killed by a Hinds County sheriff's deputy near Jackson Feb. 29. Sheriff Fred Bickett said officers had been investigating a shooting at a Negro cafe.

and chased one of the men inside. He said the Negro suddenly turned around as "if to attack the deputy" and was killed.

- Clifford Walker, 34, found shotgunned to death in Wilkerson County, March 1. Authorities said they could uncover no motive.

- Isaiah Taylor, killed by a highway patrolman near Ruleville June 28. Authorities said Taylor lunged at the officers with a knife after being stopped for routine questioning; ruled justifiable homicide.

- Jasper Greenwood, Vicksburg, found shot to death near his car on a rural road near Vicksburg July 10. Officers said they did not believe slaying was racially motivated; investigation still being made.

- Pheld Evans, Canton. Evers had no information currently available. Authorities were not available for comment.

Evers also reported there were three killings at Tchula and Crystal Springs but did not have the victims' names nor dates of the alleged deaths available.

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Natchez Man Might Be KKK Lynch Victim

Recently the FREE PRESS received a letter from a subscriber which told of an apparent lynching in Natchez. The letter said that when the brief news article which reported the death of Clifton Walker, 34, of Wilkinson County, it made no suggestion that there might have been foul play.

The FREE PRESS subscriber says that the car in which the victim was found was full of bullet holes.

It only appears that the cross burners in that area were having another night of it.

The letter read as follows:

Dear Sirs,
I already subscribe to your paper and I enjoy reading it very much, and I would like for you to reprint this article because the Natchez paper did not tell the whole story about this particular incident. We all

understand that Clifton Walker works at the International Paper Company in Natchez. He was working on the 3rd shift at night, but he lived somewhere between Woodville and Centerville, Mississippi and a gang ambushed him. He was found in his car the next day riddled with buck shots.

A Respectful Reader

He ended with a P.S. "A large number of School student have been shot at by white men here in Natchez."

The article which the subscriber enclosed read as follows: "The body of a 34 year old Wilkinson County man, identified as Clifton Walker was brought to the Williams and Williams Funeral Home yesterday and an autopsy was held by Dr. Leo Scanlon.

The body of the man was found in his automobile near his home about six miles north of Woodville, according to attendants at the funeral home.

Official report of the autopsy has not been made."

Charles Evers, Field Secre-

tary for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People issued a news release in regard to another shooting. The release said:

"Negroes in Mississippi need Federal protection from Mississippi's blood thirsty law officers. The number of cases of legalized exterminators and shooting of unarmed Negroes by trigger happy gunmen with badges is staggering.

"Any Negro wanted by Mississippi badge wearing cops is subject to extermination at any time and the excuse is always the same, 'I thought he was reaching for a gun.'"

"On Saturday, February 20, a Hinds County deputy sheriff shot and killed an unarmed Negro youth. The officer who had chased the youth into a restaurant said he thought the unarmed youth was going to attack."

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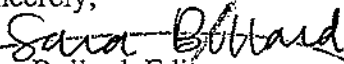
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**Negro Drowning
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PICKENS, Miss. (UPI) — A coroner's jury Wednesday ruled accidental drowning in the death of a Negro boy whose body was found in the Big Black River near here.

The victim was identified as Hubert Orsby, 14, of New Orleans. Holmes County Sheriff Andrew P. Smith said the youth had been visiting his grandfather, Tobe Hart, who lives near here.

Civil rights workers reported the boy had been wearing a Congress of Racial Equality T-shirt but said they had no record of his being involved in civil rights work in the area.

Smith said a physician made a thorough examination of the body and found "no signs of violence whatsoever."

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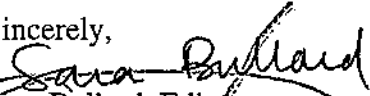
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Sidon, Mississippi
August 22, 1965

Testimony of an eyewitness to the chunking of the body of
Freddy Lee Thomas, 16, dead, onto the highway (492) between
12:45 and 1:15 AM, Thursday night, August 19, 1965.

I seed his heels going up and his head going down. Who he was
I do not know. I think it was a '65 Plymouth, close as I could
see. I was looking at the car. Whose car it was I do not know.

It was three people in the car: one in the back and two in
the front. The car was coming from Greenwood; it may not have been
coming all the way from Greenwood but it was headed thisaway. I did
see the car back up. I was looking down the bean field, I thought
they was going to start some mess with me. It may have been 90 feet
they backed--a long ways-- I think one of them seed me. I was
steady up side the bean field. I had a gun like they did. I just
seed the boy when they throwed him.

Couldn't have throwed him out that hard that way lessen he was
already dead. I thought he'd get up in a minute, so I went on. But
next morning I thought it's something wrong.

The car slowed up to chunk the body, and turned the lights on
dim. I thought the people was after me the first time. Little bit
before they got to where I was they slowed up. I were going to my
girlfriend's house; it don't mean nothing about no time. (Sometime
between 11PM and 3AM) I were coming from her house when I seed the
body chunked. Then after they chunked it out they backed up, like
maybe you see something slow. I coked my pistol in my pocket. It
backed mighty near to the corner of the beans in Malouf's plantation.
Backed up about 100 yards, farther back than they did forward when
they started to chunking the body. They were closer to me when they
backed up. The left light was shining cross me in the bean field.

If I hadn't thought the boy had owed somebody something, came
with them from Greenwood and didn't pay, I might have gone to soon.
Only thing I heard, the car door slam and they back up.

Every one of them I seed (in the car) was white. N'er woman:
everything I seed had on pants. Looked like the way they was getting
round in the car all of them was about my power, the way his heels
went up. I don't think it's too much young.

I believe that this happen: they backed up and runned over
him after they chunked him out the car. I believe he was dead when
they chunked him--ain't never seen a man fall that a way.

(question: do you think you know who it was?) I might and I
moughton. I know just as well who done it just as well as you settin
there. One of them kinda old. Two of them was younger than me, and
the other one was a few years older than me. (50's)



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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

100 West Capitol, Suite 1553
Jackson, Mississippi 39269
February 13, 2003

Ms. Sara Bullard
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Dear Ms. Bullard:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information - Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request dated January 29, 2003, and received by our office January 31, 2003.

A copy of your letters for information maintained by the FBI under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) concerning Ed Smith, Jessie Brown, George Love and Robert Joseph McNair is being returned to you.

These names are fairly common and we ask that you submit additional identifying data. This information is needed in order to conduct an accurate search of the automated and manual indices to the central records system.

Please be advised that a search of the central records system as maintained by the Jackson Office is being conducted for information pertaining to subjects of fifteen of your requests. Upon completion of this search, any indicated records will be retrieved and reviewed to determine whether or not they are identifiable with your subjects.

We are making every effort to expedite the research, processing, and release of documents concerning the above requests. However, due to the volume of requests being handled by our office, you may anticipate some delay. I can assure you that your request is being handled as equitably as possible, and any releasable information will be made available at the earliest possible date.

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Based on the information furnished, a search of the automated indices and the manual indices to the central records system as maintained in Jackson located no records responsive to your FOIPA requests to indicate that the following subjects of your requests have ever been of investigatory interest to the FBI: Paul Guihard; Cpl. Roman Ducksworth, Jr.; Louis Allen; Herbert Lee; Lamar Smith; Sam C. O'Quinn; Vincent Dahmon; Pheld Evans; Isaiah Taylor; Clifford Walker; Jessie James Shelby; Silas Caston; Luther Jackson; Booker T. Mixon; Eddie James Stewart; Curtie Watts; Saleam K. Triggs; Willie Henry Lee; Izell Henry; Clinton Melton; James E. Evanston; Milton Russell; Woodrow Wilson Daniels; Jonas Causey; Ollie W. Shelby; Ernest Jells; Sylvester Maxwell and Lillie Dell Power.

In order to respond to our many requests in a timely manner, our focus is to identify responsive records in the indices that are indexed as main files. A main file index record carries the names of subjects of FBI investigations.

Although no records responsive to these FOIPA requests were located in our indices, we are required to inform you that you are entitled to file an administrative appeal if you so desire. Appeals should be directed in writing to the Co-Director, Office of Information and Privacy, U. S. Department of Justice, Suite 570, Flag Building, Washington, D.C. 20530, within 60 days from receipt of this letter. The envelope and letter should be clearly marked "Information Appeal."

Your patience and cooperation will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

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Special Agent in Charge

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MERIDIAN

March 1965

Members of Meridian Branch filed suit against 14 places which refused to serve Negroes.

JACKSON

May 8,

Group of 150 persons staged all-day picnic at LAKE HICO.

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May 15,

25 persons- LAKE HICO

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May 22,

15 persons- LAKE HICO

CANTON

June 22,

City Parks successfully integrated by Madison County NAACP members.

GREENVILLE

August 14,

Washington county Negroes filed court action seeking permanent injunction against discrimination in any and all forms at Washington County General Hospital. (Immediate action by HEW cut-off of \$40,000 Federal Funds).

JACKSON

October 1,

Federal Government filed suit against PRIMOS - the only outstanding restaurant which has refused to serve Negroes.

INVESTIGATIONS

January 13, 1965

Jessie Brown

Negro resident of Winona, Mississippi was killed by a white farmer, R. M. Gibson.

January 22,

Ollie Shelby, Jr.

Shot to death in Hinds County Jail, Jackson, while lodged as prisoner - by deputy sheriff E. O. Sanderford who later resigned his post.

January 23,

Mrs. Saleam K. Triggs

Resident of Hattiesburg mysteriously burned to death.

Mississippi NAACP 1965 Annual Report



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Also include all documents maintained on or about: Robert McNair

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January 25,

Gurtie (Coots) Watts

Body found in his overturned truck in creek near his home in Forest, Mississippi.

May 1,

Lee V. Andrews
Willie E. Henry
Augusta Lee

Three convicts drowned in Jackson's LAKE HICO while clearing an island.

June 16,

Home of Dr. B. E. Murph hit by shotgun blasts.

July 20,

Drownings

Accidental drowning of three Negro children while wading in Pearl River dam near Jackson. (Filed complaint with Department of Justice seeking re-opening of Jackson swimming pools)

August 22,

Shooting

Serious wounding of Rev. Donald A. Thompson, Unitarian Minister, (Jackson)

August 27,

Bombing

George Metcalfe's car was bombed - he suffered serious injuries and is still hospitalized.

November 6,

Robert McNair

Resident of Pelahatchie, Mississippi was killed by town constable.

November 27,

Bombing

two Negro-owned businesses were fire bombed - both places located in racially mixed neighborhoods.

VOTER REGISTRATION EDUCATION

Six Jackson Negroes filed suit, January 7, seeking relief from the manner in which jury lists have been compiled in the state, which results in subsequent elimination of Negro voters.

During the annual session of the Mississippi State Teachers Association, C. J. Duckworth, president, American Teachers Association and state president,



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State Times

Jackson, Miss.

1-9-58
(DATE)Try To Link
Negro With
Murder Of 3

INDIANOLA, Miss. — Officers here Thursday continued their effort to link a double murder and arson at Ruleville Sunday night with a brutal triple slaying and house burning in Ackerman September 17.

Deputy State Fire Marshal Clarence Pace reported he had no "physical evidence" but declared that the two crimes were "exactly alike."

Meanwhile, Sunflower county Sheriff Ed Williams said he is studying the possibility that Negro George Love, 28, who died in a gun battle with officers Wednesday morning, had help in murdering an elderly Negro couple, robbing them, and burning the house and their bodies Sunday night.

Sought for questioning in the Ruleville crime, Love Tuesday night shot and wounded night marshal E. G. Long as he was searching. The Negro cotton picker fled through an alley and a posse found him hiding in underbrush on a farm near Ruleville Wednesday morning.

Tried Shooting

The Negro tried to shoot his way out of his hiding place and was shot and killed instantly by members of the posse.

Sheriff Williams said the crime was the kind that would probably require more than one person.

Pace said Love was linked to the Ackerman murder of Q. L. King, his wife, and her mother September 17 only by circumstantial evidence.

The Ackerman grocer, his wife, and mother-in-law were murdered, robbed of about \$1,500, and their bodies and home burned.

Pace said Love's name had never been mentioned in connection

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Daily News

Jackson, Miss.

1-21-58
(DATE)Slain Man Cleared
In Triple MurderNegro Killed By Posse Didn't
Murder Family At Ackerman

A Negro man slain in a gunfight with lawmen in Sunflower county two weeks ago has been eliminated as a suspect in the gruesome robbery slaying of three members of an Ackerman family last summer.

Public Safety Commissioner Tom Scarborough said today investigation by him, Deputy State Fire Marshal Clarence Pace, Choctaw County Sheriff Jimmy Long and Sunflower Sheriff E. W. Williams has cleared George Love of any part in the murder of Mr. and Mrs. Q. L. King and Mrs. King's

mother. Some \$1,000 was stolen from the King home.

Scarborough said, however, officers have learned Love took part in the robbery and slaying of Estelle and Anthony Potter, aged Negro couple, near Ruleville on Jan. 5.

He said Love's widow, Ida Mae, and Otha Lee Cooper are being held in the Ruleville slaying.

Love had been a suspect in both cases for several weeks. He was shot to death in a gunfight with a posse near Ruleville Jan. 5 after he pumped four bullets into Ruleville night Marshal E. E. Jennings.



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100 West Capitol, Suite 1553
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April 2, 2003

Ms. Sara Bullard
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RE: Ed Smith; Robert Joseph McNair;
George Love; Jessie Brown

Dear Ms. Bullard:

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Before we commence processing your request for records pertaining to other individuals, we ask that you submit to the FBI a privacy waiver from each person. Without a privacy waiver, the disclosure of law enforcement records or information about another person is considered an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Such records, if they exist, are exempt from disclosure pursuant to Exemption (b)(6) and/or (b)(7)(C) of the FOIA, Title 5, United States Code, Section 552.

Enclosed is a Privacy Waiver and Certification of Identity form. (You may make additional copies if you are requesting information on more than one individual.) The subject of your request should complete this form and then sign it, preferably in the presence of a notary. The original privacy waiver must be provided to the FBI.

Once you have provided us with the necessary information, as described above, we will conduct a search of our records and advise you of the results.

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JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

FOR RELEASE THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 1958, 9:00 A.M.

Substantiated reports from State Line, Greene County, Mississippi, reveal that Negro Ed Smith was shot down in cold blood April 27, 1958, by a white man who is identified as L. D. Clark of the same community.

Smith is alleged to have been shot to death by Clark as he stood in his own front yard and in the presence of his wife. Though this was murder of the first magnitude this white man has been apparently freed for this heinous crime against this Negro man, and is now going throughout the county bragging about his accomplishment without punishment.

The Circuit Court, which convened two weeks later, failed to prosecute Clark after the grand jury refused to indict him. This is another case of Mississippi justice which is a continuation of law enforcement agencies refusing to indict white men for the murder of Negro citizens. It appears that the old doctrine, "The Negro has no rights that a white man is bound to respect", continues here in Mississippi.

ED SMITH

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Date 4/7/03

RE: Ed Smith; Robert Joseph McNair;
George Love; Jessie Brown
Sara Bullard - Requester
FOIPA Matter

REMARKS: Enclosed for the Bureau are correspondence
and FD-521s for the above requests.

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~~SAC~~ Michael D. Turner

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4. REQUESTER: BULLARD, SARA	
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Date 4/7/03

RE: MACK CHARLES PARKER
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER

REMARKS: Enclosed for the Bureau is the FD-521
to close this request. Notification was
received from FBIHQ that request was
withdrawn.

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~~SAC~~ Michael D. Turner

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Date: Fri, Apr 4, 2003 9:34 AM
Subject: FOIA Request of sara Bullard re Mack Charles Parker

Good morning, [REDACTED] Hope all is well with you.

You have a request from Bullard re Parker, your request #973501.

I just got off the phone with Ms. Bullard and she is withdrawing her requests (yours and HQ) re Parker because the FBI web site has an FOIA Reading Room copy of a summary re Parker case, and that will satisfy her needs.

So, please, take no further action re Ms. Bullard's request for the JN file on Parker.

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Clifton Walker ✓

Date

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In Reply, Please Refer to
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100 West Capitol, Suite 1553
Jackson, Mississippi 39269
April 8, 2003

Ms. Sara Bullard
Southern Poverty Law Center
400 Washington Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

RE: Clifton Walker

Dear Ms. Bullard:

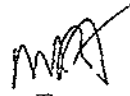
Reference is made to your Freedom of Information/
Privacy Acts request regarding Clifton Walker.

We have referred your request to FBI Headquarters for
processing. The FOIPA Section will maintain your request by
order of receipt and will assign it for processing in turn.

Headquarters will assign your request an FOIPA number
and advise you of that number as soon as possible. any future
correspondence concerning this request should be directed to FBI
Headquarters, FOIPA Section, 935 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.,
Washington, D.C. 20535-0001.

Sincerely yours,

Edwin L. Worthington
Special Agent in Charge

By: 
Michael D. Turner
Chief Division Counsel

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To: Records Management

Attn: Service Request Unit
Room 6359

From: Jackson

FOIPA Section

Contact: [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

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Drafted By: [REDACTED]

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Case ID #: 190-JN-29130

Title: CLIFTON WALKER
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER

Synopsis: Request is being forwarded to FBIHQ for processing.

Enclosure(s): Enclosed for the Bureau is one copy of all correspondence and the FD-521.

Details: REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

1. Process this request in accordance with current procedures, and correspond directly with requester.
2. Advised Jackson when to ship main file to HQ for processing.

Jackson is OO in the following reported main file:

UNSUB;
CLIFTON WALKER - VICTIM
CR; OO: JACKSON
JACKSON FILE: 157-414
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To: Administrative Officer

Subject Mack Charles Parker

Aliases

Address

Birth Date

Place of Birth

Race

Sex

☒ Male☐ Female

Telephone #'s

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File No.

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Subject

Jasper Greenwood

Social Security Account #

Aliases

date of death 7-10-64

Address

Birth Date

Place of Birth

Race

Sex

☐ Male☐ Female

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

100 West Capitol, Suite 1553
Jackson, Mississippi 39269
April 8, 2003

Ms. Sara Bullard
Southern Poverty Law Center
400 Washington Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

RE: Jasper Greenwood

Dear Ms. Bullard:

Reference is made to your Freedom of Information/
Privacy Acts request regarding Jasper Greenwood.

We have referred your request to FBI Headquarters for
processing. The FOIPA Section will maintain your request by
order of receipt and will assign it for processing in turn.

Headquarters will assign your request an FOIPA number
and advise you of that number as soon as possible. any future
correspondence concerning this request should be directed to FBI
Headquarters, FOIPA Section, 935 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.,
Washington, D.C. 20535-0001.

Sincerely yours,

Edwin L. Worthington
Special Agent in Charge

By: *[Signature]*
Michael D. Turner
Chief Division Counsel

1 - Addressee
2 - Jackson (190-JN-29130)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 04/08/2003

To: Records Management

Attn: Service Request Unit
Room 6359

From: Jackson

FOIPA Section

Contact: [REDACTED]

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Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

cfb

Case ID #: 190-JN-29130

Title: JASPER GREENWOOD - SUBJECT
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER

Synopsis: Request is being referred to FBIHQ for processing.

Enclosure(s): Enclosed for the Bureau is one copy of all correspondence and the FD-521 re this request.

Details: REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

1. Process this request in accordance with current procedures, and correspond directly with requester.
2. Advised Jackson when to ship main file to HQ for processing.

Jackson is OO in the following reported main file:

UNSUB;
JASPER GREENWOOD - VICTIM
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JACKSON FILE: 157-400

This file consists of one section, approximately 20 pages.

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To: Records Management From: Jackson
Re: 190-JN-29130, 04/08/2003

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FIELD OFFICE - FOIPA REQUEST

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3. SUBJECT: GREENWOOD, JASPER	
4. REQUESTER: BULLARD, SARA	
5. ADDRESS: SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER 400 WASHINGTON AVENUE MONTGOMERY, AL 36104	
6. FIELD OFFICE: JN1	INITIALS: CFB
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To: Administrative Officer

Date

2-6-03

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File No.

190-JN-29031

Social Security Account #

Subject

Hubert Orsby⁰ Age 14

Aliases

Herbert Oarsby⁰; Henry Oarsby⁰ date of death 9/9/64

Address

New Orleans, LA

Birth Date

yr of birth
1949-1950

Place of Birth

Race

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Sex

☒ Male☐ Female

Telephone #'s

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Herbert Orsby

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

100 West Capitol, Suite 1553
Jackson, Mississippi 39269
April 9, 2003

Ms. Sara Bullard
Southern Poverty Law Center
400 Washington Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

RE: Hubert Orsby

Dear Ms. Bullard:

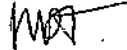
Reference is made to your Freedom of Information/
Privacy Acts request regarding Hubert Orsby.

We have referred your request to FBI Headquarters for
processing. The FOIPA Section will maintain your request by
order of receipt and will assign it for processing in turn.

Headquarters will assign your request an FOIPA number
and advise you of that number as soon as possible. any future
correspondence concerning this request should be directed to FBI
Headquarters, FOIPA Section, 935 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.,
Washington, D.C. 20535-0001.

Sincerely yours,

Edwin L. Worthington
Special Agent in Charge

By: 
Michael D. Turner
Chief Division Counsel

1 - Addressee
② - Jackson (190-JN-29130)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 04/09/2003

To: Records Management

Attn: Service Request Unit
Room 6359

✓ From: Jackson

FOIPA Section

Contact: [REDACTED]

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Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED] cfb

Case ID #: 190-JN-29130-32

Title: HUBERT ORSBY - SUBJECT
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER

Synopsis: Request is being referred to FBIHQ for processing.

Enclosure(s): Enclosed for the Bureau is one copy of all correspondence and the FD-521 re this request.

Details: REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

1. Process this request in accordance with current procedures, and correspond directly with requester.
2. Advised Jackson when to ship main file to HQ for processing.

Jackson is OO in the following reported main file:

HERBERT ORSBY, NEGRO MALE,
AGE 14 - INFORMATION CONCERNING
RM; OO: JACKSON
JACKSON FILE: 157-778

This file consists of one section, approximately 30 pages.

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4. REQUESTER: BULLARD, SARA	
5. ADDRESS: SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER 400 WASHINGTON AVENUE MONTGOMERY, AL 36104	
6. FIELD OFFICE: JN1	INITIALS: CFB
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To: Administrative Officer

Date

2-6-03

Requested by:

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File No.

190-JN-29130

Social Security Account #

Subject

Freddie Lee Thomas, Jr.

Aliases

Freddy Lee Thomas⁰ Age 16 date of death 8/20/65 or 9/3/65

Address

Birth Date

Place of Birth

Race

Sex

☒ Male☐ Female

1948-1949

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

100 West Capitol, Suite 1553
Jackson, Mississippi 39269
April 9, 2003

Ms. Sara Bullard
Southern Poverty Law Center
400 Washington Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

RE: Freddie Lee Thomas, Jr.

Dear Ms. Bullard:

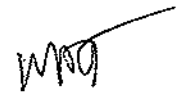
Reference is made to your Freedom of Information/
Privacy Acts request regarding Freddie Lee Thomas, Jr.

We have referred your request to FBI Headquarters for
processing. The FOIPA Section will maintain your request by
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and advise you of that number as soon as possible. any future
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Headquarters, FOIPA Section, 935 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.,
Washington, D.C. 20535-0001.

Sincerely yours,

Edwin L. Worthington
Special Agent in Charge

By: 
Michael D. Turner
Chief Division Counsel

- 1 - Addressee
② - Jackson (190-JN-29130)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 04/09/2003

To: Records Management

Attn: Service Request Unit
Room 6359

From: Jackson

FOIPA Section

Contact: [REDACTED]

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Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

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Case ID #: 190-JN-29130-35

Title: FREDDIE LEE THOMAS, JR. - SUBJECT
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER

Synopsis: Request is being referred to FBIHQ for processing.

Enclosure(s): Enclosed for the Bureau is one copy of all correspondence and the FD-521 re this request.

Details: REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

1. Process this request in accordance with current procedures, and correspond directly with requester.
2. Advised Jackson when to ship main file to HQ for processing.

Jackson is OO in the following reported main file:

UNSUB;
FREDDIE LEE THOMAS, JR. - VICTIM
CONSPIRACY AGAINST RIGHTS
CIVIL RIGHTS; OO: JACKSON
JACKSON FILE: 157-3828

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To: Records Management From: Jackson
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4. REQUESTER: BULLARD, SARA	
5. ADDRESS: SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER 400 WASHINGTON AVENUE MONTGOMERY, AL 36104	
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To: Administrative Officer

Date

2-6-03

Requested by:

Subject

Rev. George Lee

Social Security Account #

Squad

File No

190-JN-29031

Aliases

Date of Death 5/7/55

Address

Birth Date

Place of Birth

Race

Sex

☐ Male☐ Female

Telephone #'s

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183-WF-508 dest.

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Re: Rev. George Lee

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

100 West Capitol, Suite 1553
Jackson, Mississippi 39269
April 11, 2003

Ms. Sara Bullard
Southern Poverty Law Center
400 Washington Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

RE: Rev. George Lee

Dear Ms. Bullard:

Reference is made to your Freedom of Information - Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request, dated January 29, 2003, and our letter to you dated February 13, 2003.

A search of our automated and manual indices to the central records system as maintained by the Jackson Office located information responsive to your Freedom of Information - Privacy Acts request for information pertaining to Rev. George Lee.

For your information, the Jackson Office was opened in 1964 and investigations prior to that time were handled out of the Memphis and New Orleans Field Offices.

Enclosed are copies of documents from our files. Excisions have been made from these pages in order to protect information exempt from disclosure pursuant to Title 5, United States Code, Sections 552 as follows:

(b) (7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information

(C) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

1 - Addressee
② - Jackson (190-JN-29031)
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Ms. Sara Bullard

Pursuant to your request, 2 pages were reviewed and 2 pages are being released.

Notations have been made in the margins of the enclosed pages indicating specific exemption applied to the excised portions of the material.

If you desire, you may submit an appeal from any denial contained herein. Appeals should be directed in writing to the Co-Director, Office of Information and Privacy, United States Department of Justice, Flag Building, Suite 570, Washington, D.C. 20530, within sixty days from receipt of this letter. The envelope and the letter should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal" or "Information Appeal." Please cite the name of the office to which your original request was directed.

Sincerely yours,

Edwin L. Worthington
Special Agent in Charge

By:
Michael D. Turner
Chief Division Counsel

Enclosure

Memorandum



To : SAC, JACKSON [redacted]

Date 11/28/89

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From : SSA [redacted]

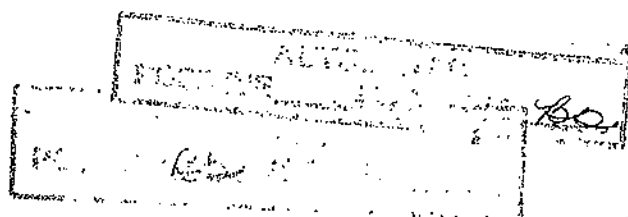
Subject: INQUIRY OF [redacted]
REGARDING THE DEATH OF
REVEREND GEORGE LEE 5/1/54

SA [redacted] interviewed [redacted] on 11/22/89 regarding any further information he might have concerning the death of Reverend LEE. [redacted] is a relative newcomer to Belzoni, Mississippi, and has no personal knowledge of the events leading up to Reverend LEE's death. He wrote the letter as an expression of public concern on behalf of the Humphreys County Voters League. [redacted] referred SA [redacted] to [redacted] Belzoni, who was a personal friend of LEE's.

[redacted] stated although the coroner's report listed the cause of death as an automobile accident, the rumor circulated through the black community that Reverend LEE had been killed by a shotgun blast from the then [redacted] and two other white males, [redacted] and [redacted]. [redacted] believes an FBI investigation was conducted at the time of LEE's death, but he has never heard what the results were.

According to the current Sheriff of Humphreys County, a contemporaneous investigation was conducted by the District Attorney. Checks with the Sheriff's Office, the Police Department, and the District Attorney's office revealed no extant records from that period. All three suspects, the coroner, and the District Attorney are deceased.

According to SA [redacted], [redacted] appreciated the problems that would be entailed in reopening an investigation in which the primary suspects and witnesses are all deceased. He was extremely cordial and cooperative when interviewed by SA [redacted]. I recommend no further action be taken.



① - Jackson

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November 9, 1989

[REDACTED] b7C
Belzoni, MS 39038

Wayne R. Taylor
Special Agent in Charge
F.B.I.
100 West Capitol Street, Suite 1553
Jackson, MS 39269

Dear Agent Taylor:

Rev. George Lee was slain in Belzoni, MS, on May 7, 1954, on the courthouse steps for his efforts to register to vote. Rev. Lee was instrumental in the early efforts to register black voters in Humphreys County. Rev. Lee's murderer has never been brought to justice.

I hereby request the F.B.I. investigate the murder of slain civil rights martyr Rev. George Lee.

Sincerely,
[REDACTED] b7C

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Dissemination Routing Slip
FD-417 (Rev. 2-7-90)

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TO: ☒ Director, Att: Service Request Unit, Room 6359
☐ SAC,

☐ Albany	☐ Indianapolis	☐ Oklahoma City
☐ Albuquerque	☐ Jackson	☐ Omaha
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☐ Birmingham	☐ Las Vegas	☐ Portland
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☐ Honolulu	☐ New York City	☐ Washington Metropolitan Field
☐ Houston	☐ Norfolk	

☐ ASAC, Brooklyn-Queens (MRA)

Date 4/15/03

RE: REV. GEORGE LEE - SUBJECT
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER

REMARKS: Enclosures to the Bureau:

1. All correspondence re this matter.
2. FD-521

FILE #: 190-JN-29130

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~~SAC~~ Michael D. Turner

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3. SUBJECT: LEE, GEORGE (REV.)	
4. REQUESTER: BULLARD, SARA	
5. ADDRESS: SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER 400 WASHINGTON AVENUE MONTGOMERY, AL 36104	
6. FIELD OFFICE: JN1	INITIALS: CFB
7. TYPE OF REQUEST: ☐ PRIVACY ☐ CITED PRIVACY ☒ FOIA	
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To: Administrative Officer

Date

2-6-03

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File No.

190

Subject

Emmett Louis Till

Social Security Account #

Aliases

Address

Birth Date

Place of Birth

Race

Sex

☒ Male☐ Female

Telephone #'s

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

100 West Capitol, Suite 1553
Jackson, Mississippi 39269
April 16, 2003

Ms. Sara Bullard
Southern Poverty Law Center
400 Washington Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

RE: Emmett Louis Till

Dear Ms. Bullard:

Reference is made to your Freedom of Information/
Privacy Acts request regarding Emmett Louis Till.

We have referred your request to FBI Headquarters for
processing. The FOIPA Section will maintain your request by
order of receipt and will assign it for processing in turn.

Headquarters will assign your request an FOIPA number
and advise you of that number as soon as possible. Any future
correspondence concerning this request should be directed to FBI
Headquarters, FOIPA Section, 935 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.,
Washington, D.C. 20535-0001.

Sincerely yours,

Edwin L. Worthington
Special Agent in Charge

By: *mt*
Michael D. Turner
Chief Division Counsel

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2 - Jackson (190-JN-29130)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 04/17/2003

To: Records Management

Attn: Service Request Unit
Room 6359

From: Jackson

FOIPA Section

Contact: [REDACTED]

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Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

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Case ID #: 190-JN-29130

Title: EMMETT LOUIS TILL - SUBJECT ⁴²
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER

Synopsis: Request is being referred to FBIHQ for processing.

Enclosure(s): Enclosed for the Bureau is one copy of all correspondence and the FD-521 re this request.

Details: REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

1. Process this request in accordance with current procedures, and correspond directly with requester.
2. Advise Jackson when to ship the main file to HQ for processing.

Jackson is OO in the following main file:

J. W. MILAM;
ROY BRYANT;
EMMETT TILL (DECEASED) - VICTIM
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OO: JACKSON
JN FILE: 44A-JN-18753

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To: Records Management From: Jackson
Re: 190-JN-29130, 04/17/2003

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 04/17/2003

To: Records Management

Attn: FOIPA Section

Room 6359

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From: Jackson

FOIPA Section

Contact:

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Case ID #: 190-JN-29130

Title: JASPER GREENWOOD - SUBJECT
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER

Synopsis: File being forwarded for processing.

Enclosure(s): Original Jackson file 157-400.

Details: Original Jackson file JN 157-400 is being forwarded to FBIHQ for processing. This file was closed in September of 1964.

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From: [redacted]
To: [redacted]
Date: Wed, Apr 16, 2003 1:10 PM
Subject: FOIPA Request

Good afternoon,

My name is [redacted] and I'm a supervisor with Work Process Unit of FOIPA-HQ. Could you please send me this file?

Jackson 157-400.

My subject is Jasper Greenwood

My requester is Sara Bullard

My room number is 6359 and ext is [redacted]

Thank you and have a good day.

DATE 4-16-03

TO: Jackson FIELD OFFICE

ATTENTION:

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FROM: FBIHQ - FOIPA SECTION

FOI/PA REQUEST OF Bullard, Sara

SUBJECT Greenwood, Jasper

FOIPA NO. 972991

EC Dated: 4-8-03 (your 190-JN-29130 ser. 29)

Please forward JACKSON main file 157-400 to
Headquarters for processing of responsive documents.

PLEASE MAIL FILE TO: EXT.
FBIHQ-RMD/FOIPA/WPU-II ROOM 6359.

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To: Administrative Officer

Subject

Clyde Kennard

Aliases

Address

Birth Date

Date

2-6-03

Requested by:

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File No.

190

Social Security Account #

Date of death: 7-4-63

Telephone #'s

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FD-503 (Rev. 10-18-94)
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Re: Clyde Kennard

Date: 4/03/15
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			Actual	Revd	Rel'd	Ref'd	Dupe
1	1/30/92	Letter from Dist. Attorney to JN	2	2	2		(b)(7)(C)
2	2/5/92	Memo to SAC from Agent	1	1	1		(b)(7)(C)
3	2/26/92	Airtel to CG from Jackson	2	2	2		(b)(7)(C)
4	3/4/92	Airtel to JN from NO	1	1	1		(b)(7)(C)
5	3/11/92	Airtel to JN from ME	1	1	1		(b)(7)(C)
6	4/7/92	Airtel to JN from CG	1	1	1		(b)(7)(C)
7	5/6/92	Letter to Dist. Attorney from JN	1	1	1		(b)(7)(C)
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Jackson, Mississippi 39269
April 16, 2003

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RE: Clyde Kennard

Dear Ms. Bullard:

Reference is made to your Freedom of Information - Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request, dated January 29, 2003, and our letter to you dated February 13, 2003.

A search of our automated and manual indices to the central records system as maintained by the Jackson Office located information responsive to your Freedom of Information - Privacy Acts request for information pertaining to Clyde Kennard.

For your information, the Jackson Office was opened in 1964 and investigations prior to that time were handled out of the Memphis and New Orleans Field Offices.

Enclosed are copies of documents from our files. Excisions have been made from these pages in order to protect information exempt from disclosure pursuant to Title 5, United States Code, Sections 552 as follows:

(b) (7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information

(C) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

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Ms. Sara Bullard

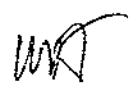
Pursuant to your request, 9 pages were reviewed and 9 pages are being released.

Notations have been made in the margins of the enclosed pages indicating specific exemption applied to the excised portions of the material.

If you desire, you may submit an appeal from any denial contained herein. Appeals should be directed in writing to the Co-Director, Office of Information and Privacy, United States Department of Justice, Flag Building, Suite 570, Washington, D.C. 20530, within sixty days from receipt of this letter. The envelope and the letter should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal" or "Information Appeal." Please cite the name of the office to which your original request was directed.

Sincerely yours,

Edwin L. Worthington
Special Agent in Charge

By: 
Michael D. Turner
Chief Division Counsel

Enclosure



GLENN L. WHITE
District Attorney
Twelfth Circuit Court District

CLIFTON S. GADDIS
ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY

H. H. KLEIN III
ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY

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HATTIESBURG, MS 39403-0866
(601) 545-1551
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January 30, 1992

Joseph Jackson
Special Agent, FBI
Federal Building, Suite 1553
100 W. Capitol St.
Jackson, MS 39269

Dear Mr. Jackson:

I would appreciate whatever assistance you can provide in trying to verify the information we have recently received concerning a case styled State of Mississippi versus Clyde Kennard, which was tried in 1959. I have enclosed a copy of the newspaper article that was in the Clarion Ledger on December 29, 1991. According to documents from the Sovereignty Commission files for the State of Mississippi, there appears to be sufficient evidence to show that Clyde Kennard was framed for possession of alcohol charges. His brother-in-law still lives in Hattiesburg, and is attempting to clear the name of Clyde Kennard in connection with receiving stolen property charges that were filed in 1959. The crux of the State's case was the testimony of [REDACTED] who indicated that he committed the theft of the chicken feed and subsequently sold the feed to Clyde Kennard who knew that the feed was stolen. Recently [REDACTED] was re-interviewed and indicated that he was telling the truth in 1959.

What is very interesting is that he claims to have been transported by the FBI via Jackson airport by FBI agents to Chicago, for the purpose of taking a polygraph examination at that time.

I would respectfully request any information that you can provide that would verify his claim that he took the polygraph in 1959, to corroborate the statements that he has made to my office.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation and assistance in this matter, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Glenn L. White
District Attorney

GLW:bhb
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THE CLARION-LEDGER ■ JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1991

Forrest County DA says he lacks evidence to clear Clyde Kennard in theft

■ Clyde Kennard caused controversy when he tried to attend USM; he was sent to prison on a theft charge in 1959.

By J. Lee Howard
Clarion-Ledger Staff Writer

Forrest County District Attorney Glenn White said he doesn't have evidence to prove the first black to attempt to enroll at the University of Southern Mississippi was innocent in a 1959 theft.

"We have nothing to indicate that (the charge) is anything other than what it appears to be," White said Saturday.

A confessed thief, Johnny Lee Roberts of Hatties-



Kennard

burg, has claimed Clyde Kennard paid him to steal chicken feed. At the time, Kennard was a 32-year-old poultry farmer.

In 1959, Kennard was sentenced to seven years in prison on an accessory-to-burglary charge, while Roberts was given probation. Former Gov. Ross Barnett granted Kennard clemency on Jan. 30, 1963. Kennard died in a Chicago hospital July 4, 1963, of intestinal cancer.

The Clarion-Ledger reported on Sept. 9 that state Sovereignty Commission records show illegal whiskey was planted in Kennard's car in fall 1959 to keep him

from enrolling at the University of Southern Mississippi, then known as Mississippi Southern College. Kennard tried unsuccessfully to enroll in 1956, 1958 and 1959.

The now-defunct commission served as the state's spy agency to preserve segregation.

White had sought to exonerate Kennard on the liquor charge. About two months ago, the Mississippi Supreme Court cleared Kennard of a charge that he was in possession of illegal whiskey in 1959.

But Sovereignty Commission documents also show Roberts set up Kennard to be charged with trying to buy stolen chicken feed, a Kennard relative said Saturday.

The Rev. John Webb of Hattiesburg, Kennard's brother-in-law, said he has information that Kennard

did not know he was buying the stolen chicken feed.

White, however, said he has yet to see the evidence that Kennard is innocent of accessory to burglary.

"It was obvious that the sentence was disproportionate," White said. "But there's nothing to indicate that it was anything but a legitimate charge."

Webb said the burglary charge against Kennard was another setup. Webb said he has obtained Sovereignty Commission documents that show "Roberts said what he was told to say."

Webb said he plans to give the documents to White soon in hopes that his brother-in-law's name will be cleared once and for all.

Roberts could not be reached Saturday.

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Memorandum



To : SAC, JACKSON (197-NEW)

Date 2/5/92

From : SA [REDACTED]

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Subject: STATE OF MISSISSIPPI V.
CLYDE KENNARD;
REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
OO: JACKSON

By letter, GLENN L. WHITE, District Attorney, Twelfth Circuit Court District, Hattiesburg, MS, a request for any specified information concerning captioned matter was requested.

In view of the above, it is recommended a 197-NEW be opened and assigned to the writer to process this request.

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Date 2/26/92

TO : SAC, CHICAGO
 FROM : SAC, JACKSON (197-JN-19481) (P)
 SUBJECT : STATE OF MISSISSIPPI V.
 CLYDE KENNARD;
 REQUEST FOR INFORMATION;
 OO: JACKSON

Re Jackson telcall from PLA [REDACTED] to SSA [REDACTED] Information and Privacy Acts Litigation Unit (IPALU), Legal Counsel Division, FBIHQ, on 2/19/92. b7C

Enclosed for recipients are two copies each of a letter from District Attorney GLENN L. WHITE, Twelfth Circuit Court District, Hattiesburg, MS, and a newspaper article entitled "Forrest County DA says he lacks evidence to clear CLYDE KENNARD in theft."

For the information of recipients, CLYDE KENNARD was the first black to attempt to enroll at the UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI (USM) and his application was denied based on a criminal record resulting from a possession of illegal whiskey charge and a possession of stolen property charge. Recently obtained records from the MISSISSIPPI SOVEREIGNTY COMMISSION (MSC) by the District Attorney indicates KENNARD may have been innocent concerning the illegal whiskey charge and the charge may have been for the purpose of keeping KENNARD out of USM. The stolen property charge has now been brought into question and is being reviewed by the DA.

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Telephonic contact with WHITE revealed attempts are being made by Civil Rights leaders in the state to honor KENNARD by declaring him a civil rights pioneer and build an appropriate monument. Accordingly, members of the community and KENNARD's family are attempting to clear his name concerning the criminal convictions. The pressure in the community has increased as a result of the recent knowledge of the activities by the MSC concerning KENNARD.

The stolen goods charge concerns a 1959 theft of chicken feed. The main witness against KENNARD was the result of testimony by the admitted thief of the chicken feed, [REDACTED] who testified he sold the feed to KENNARD in 1959 and KENNARD knew the feed was stolen. During the reinterview of [REDACTED] by WHITE's office, [REDACTED] indicated he was telling the truth in 1959 and stated he was transported by the FBI via Jackson airport by FBI Agents to Chicago for the purpose of taking a polygraph. WHITE was advised by Jackson that this division was not opened until 1964 and the State of Mississippi was covered by the New Orleans and Memphis Field Offices. WHITE advised he would appreciate any assistance possible by the other field offices concerning the resolution of this matter. WHITE noted he did not know why the FBI would have had an interest in this matter and that the only information concerning possible FBI involvement was strictly from [REDACTED] b7C

Leads:

Recipients are requested to check indices concerning [REDACTED] and CLYDE KENNARD and provide results to Jackson. The scope of the information resulting from the searches should be limited to information which would corroborate [REDACTED] claims. Any release of information by Jackson will be coordinated with IPALU and the Executive Agencies Dissemination Unit, Information Management Division, FBIHQ. b7C

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Date 3/4/92

TO : SAC, JACKSON (197-JN-19481)
 FROM : SAC, NEW ORLEANS
 SUBJECT : STATE OF MISSISSIPPI V.
 CLYDE KENNARD;
 REQUEST FOR INFORMATION;
 OO: JACKSON

Re airtel dated 2/26/92.

A search of the New Orleans Division indices was conducted on CLYDE KENNARD and [REDACTED] with negative results.

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Date 3/11/92

TO : SAC, JACKSON (197-JN-19481)
FROM : SAC, MEMPHIS (197-JN-19481) (RUC)
SUBJECT : STATE OF MISSISSIPPI V.
CLYDE KENNARD
REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
(OO: JACKSON)

Re Jackson airtel to Chicago dated 2/26/92.

Review of Memphis indices re CLYDE KENNARD and
[REDACTED] was negative.

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Date 4/7/92

TO : SAC, JACKSON
 FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (197-JN-19481) (RUC)
 SUBJECT : STATE OF MISSISSIPPI V. CLYDE
 KENNARD;
 REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
 OO:JN

Re Jackson airtel to Chicago, 2/26/92.

The Chicago indices to the Central Records System were searched as to CLYDE KENNARD and [REDACTED] and no references identifiable with those individuals could be located. Chicago polygraph records of that era no longer exist. Inquiries were made to FBIHQ as to polygraph records maintained there for 1959, and it was determined those records had been destroyed in the early 1960s. b7C

Chicago is considering this matter RUC.

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

100 West Capitol, Suite 1553
Jackson, Mississippi 39269
May 6, 1992

Glenn L. White
District Attorney
Twelfth Circuit Court District
Post Office Box 866
Hattiesburg, Mississippi 39403-0866

Re: State of Mississippi v.
Clyde Kennard

Dear Mr. White:

Reference is made to your letter to this office on
1/30/92, and your telephone conversations with Special Agent [REDACTED] b7C

Records of the Chicago, Memphis, New Orleans, and
Jackson Field Offices of the FBI were checked with negative
results concerning claims by [REDACTED] that he was
transported by FBI Agents to Chicago via Jackson Airport in 1959
to take a polygraph examination. Inquiries with our headquarters
in Washington D.C. concerning polygraph records for 1959 revealed
those records would have been destroyed in the early 1960's. b7C

If you have any further questions concerning this
matter please do not hesitate to contact Special Agent Kelley.

Sincerely yours,

Joseph J. Jackson
Special Agent in Charge

By:

[REDACTED]
Supervisory Special Agent b7C

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TO: ☒ Director, Att: FOIPA SECTION, SERVICE REQUEST UNIT,
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Date 4/17/03

RE: CLYDE KENNARD - SUBJECT
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER

REMARKS: ENCLOSURES TO THE BUREAU:

1. All correspondence re this matter.
2. FD-521

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Michael D. Turner
OFFICE Jackson
FBI/DOJ

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3. SUBJECT: KENNARD, CLYDE	
4. REQUESTER: BULLARD, SARA	
5. ADDRESS: SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER 400 WASHINGTON AVENUE MONTGOMERY, AL 36104	
6. FIELD OFFICE: JN1	INITIALS: CFB
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To: Administrative Officer

Subject

Charles Eddie Moore⁰⁰

Aliases

Address

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Place of Birth

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☒ Male☐ Female

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Henry Hezekiah Dee

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In Reply, Please Refer to
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100 West Capitol, Suite 1553
Jackson, Mississippi 39269
April 22, 2003

Ms. Sara Bullard
Southern Poverty Law Center
400 Washington Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

RE: Henry Hezekiah Dee
Charles Eddie Moore

Dear Ms. Bullard:

This is in reference to your Freedom of Information/
Privacy Acts request regarding Henry Hezekiah Dee and Charles
Eddie Moore.

We have referred your request to FBI Headquarters for
processing. The FOIPA Section will maintain your request by
order of receipt and will assign it for processing in turn.

Headquarters will assign your request an FOIPA number
and advise you of that number as soon as possible. Any future
correspondence concerning this request should be directed to FBI
Headquarters, FOIPA Section, 935 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.,
Washington, D.C. 20535-0001.

Sincerely yours,

Edwin L. Worthington
Special Agent in Charge

By: 
Michael D. Turner
Chief Division Counsel

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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To: Records Management

Attn: Service Request Unit
Room 6359

From: Jackson
FOIPA Section
Contact: [REDACTED]

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Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED] cfb

Case ID #: 190-JN-29130-51

Title: HENRY HEZEKIAH DEE - SUBJECT;
CHARLES EDDIE MOORE - SUBJECT;
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER

Synopsis: Request is being referred to HQ for processing.

Enclosure(s): Enclosed for the Bureau is one copy of all correspondence and the FD-521s re these requests.

Details: REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

1. Process this request in accordance with current procedures, and correspond directly with requester.
2. Advise Jackson when to ship the main file to HQ for processing.

Jackson has located the following file which is responsive to the above requests.

JAMES FORD SEALE (DECEASED);

[REDACTED]
HENRY HEZEKIAH DEE - VICTIM,
CHARLIE EDDIE MOORE - VICTIM;
RACIAL DISCRIMINATION - FORCE/VIOLENCE
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To: Records Management From: Jackson
Re: 190-JN-29130, 04/22/2003

This file consists of one volume, approximately 50 pages. The above file was opened to determine if the crime occurred on federal property. Based on opinion of the US Attorney, file was closed 04/15/2003. The murder of the two victims took place in May, 1964, and no one was ever prosecuted. The field office records of the 1964 investigation were routinely destroyed.

To: Records Management From: Jackson
Re: 190-JN-29130, 04/22/2003

LEAD(s) :

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1. FOIPA NUMBER:	
2. DATE RECEIVED: 02 03 2003	DATE REOPENED:
3. SUBJECT: MOORE, CHARLES EDDIE	
4. REQUESTER: BULLARD, SARA	
5. ADDRESS: SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER 400 WASHINGTON AVENUE MONTGOMERY, AL 36104	
6. FIELD OFFICE: JN1	INITIALS: CFB
7. TYPE OF REQUEST: ☐ PRIVACY ☐ CITED PRIVACY ☒ FOIA	
8. TYPE OF REQUESTER: ☐ 1. NEWS MEDIA ☐ 2. SCHOLAR/HISTORIAN ☐ 3. PRISONER ☐ 4. PRIVATE CITIZEN ☐ 5. ORGANIZATION ☐ 6. CURRENT EMPLOYEE ☒ 7. FREELANCE WRITER/AUTHOR	
9. FEE WAIVER: ☐ 1. GRANTED ☐ 2. DENIED ☐ 3. PARTIAL	
10. FOIPA FILE NUMBER: 190-JN-29130	
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 04/22/2003

To: Jackson

Attn:

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From: Records Management
RIDS/WPU Rm 6359

Contact:

Approved By:

BNL

Drafted By:

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Case ID #: 190-JN-29130 -52

Title: CLIFTON WALKER
SARA BULLARD-REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER

Synopsis: Requesting file that was scoped from Jackson Field Office responsive to the above request.

Details: Please forward the following file to Headquarters: Jackson file 157-414.

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190-JN-29130-52

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 04/24/2003

To: Records Management

Attn: FOIPA Section,

Room 6359

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From: Jackson

FOIPA Section

Contact: [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

cfb

Case ID #: 190-JN-29130-53

Title: HUBERT ORSBY - SUBJECT
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER

Synopsis: File being forwarded to HQ for processing.

Enclosure(s): Original Jackson file 157-778.

Details: Original Jackson file JN 157-778 is being forwarded to FBIHQ for processing. This file was closed in September of 1964.

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of*

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To: Records Management From: Jackson
Re: 190-JN-29130, 04/24/2003

LEAD(s) :

Set Lead 1: (Info)

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AT WASHINGTON, DC

File enclosed per your request.

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Date: Wed, Apr 23, 2003 3:13 PM
Subject: HUBERT ORSBY

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Would you please send me the field office file that pertains to FOIPA CASE
190-JN-29130. FILE # 157-778?

To: Administrative Officer

Date

2-6-03

Requested

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File No.

190-JN-29130

Subject

Benjamin Brown

Social Security Account #

Aliases

Age 22 Date of Death: 5-12-67

Address

Birth Date

Place of Birth

Race

Sex

☒ Male☐ Female

Telephone #'s

☐ Exact Spelling☐ All References☐ Main Security Case Files Only☐ Security Reference Only☒ Manual Indices ☐ Neg.☐ Main Criminal Case File Only☐ Criminal References Only☐ Main Security (If no Main, list all Security References)☐ Main Criminal (If no Main, list all Criminal References)☒ Pos.☒ Restrict Locality of

Jackson MAIN FILES

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Date

2-10-03

☒ UNI (Global)☐ Neg.☒ Pos.

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Date

2-10-03

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☐ Other☐ Neg.☐ Pos.

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Date

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190-JN-25723

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87-3561

157-5864

44-761

Destroyed 7-15-77

44-2112

Destroyed 1-5-78

157-9837

190-122

190s not processed

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U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

100 West Capitol, Suite 1553
Jackson, Mississippi 39269
April 24, 2003

Ms. Sara Bullard
Southern Poverty Law Center
400 Washington Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

RE: Benjamin Brown

Dear Ms. Bullard:

Reference is made to your Freedom of Information/
Privacy Acts request regarding Benjamin Brown.

We have referred your request to FBI Headquarters for
processing. The FOIPA Section will maintain your request by
order of receipt and will assign it for processing in turn.

Headquarters will assign your request an FOIPA number
and advise you of that number as soon as possible. Any future
correspondence concerning this request should be directed to FBI
Headquarters, FOIPA Section, 935 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.,
Washington, D.C. 20535-0001.

Sincerely yours,

Edwin L. Worthington
Special Agent in Charge

1 - Addressee
② - Jackson (190-JN-29130)
CFB/cfb
(3) *efl*

By: *MTA*
Michael D. Turner
Chief Division Counsel

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 04/28/2003

To: Records Management

Attn: Service Request Unit
Room 6359

From: Jackson

FOIPA Section

Contact: [REDACTED]

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Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

cfb

Case ID #: 190-JN-29130

Title: BENJAMIN BROWN- SUBJECT
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER

Synopsis: Request is being referred to HQ for processing.

Enclosure(s): Enclosed for the Bureau is one copy of all correspondence and the FD-521 re this request.

Details: REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

1. Process this request in accordance with current procedures, and correspond directly with requester.

2. Advise Jackson when to ship material to HQ for processing.

Jackson has located the following material responsive to the above request.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR
BENJAMIN BROWN SCHEDULED
AT JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI,
5/12/68
RM
OO: JACKSON
JACKSON FILE: 157-9837

This file consists of one volume, approximately 10 pages. The file was closed in May 1968.

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To: Records Management From: Jackson
Re: 190-JN-29130, 04/28/2003

CITY COUNCIL REQUEST TO
INVESTIGATE THE 1967
KILLING OF BENJAMIN BROWN
CIVIL RIGHTS MATTER
OO: JACKSON
JACKSON FILE: 44-0-1396

This is one document consisting of one page filed in a
zero file.

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
BENJAMIN BROWN - VICTIM (DECEASED)
CIVIL RIGHTS
OO: JACKSON
JACKSON FILE: 44-0-358

This is three documents consisting of eight pages filed
in a zero file.

The list of file numbers in Jackson's manual indices
also lists the numbers for two files that have been routinely
destroyed. These are 44-761, destroyed January 15, 1977, and 44-
2112, destroyed January 5, 1978.

To: Records Management From: Jackson
Re: 190-JN-29130, 04/28/2003

LEAD(s) :

Set Lead 1: (Info)

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Handle in accordance with current procedures.

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1. FOIPA NUMBER:	
2. DATE RECEIVED: 02 03 2003	DATE REOPENED:
3. SUBJECT: BROWN, BENJAMIN	
4. REQUESTER: BULLARD, SARA	
5. ADDRESS: SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER 400 WASHINGTON AVENUE MONTGOMERY, AL 36104	
6. FIELD OFFICE: JN1	INITIALS: CFB
7. TYPE OF REQUEST: ☐ PRIVACY ☐ CITED PRIVACY ☒ FOIA	
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Date: 04/29/2003

Attn: FOIPA Section.

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FOIPA Section

Contact:

Drafted By:

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Title: CLIFTON WALKER - SUBJECT
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER

Synopsis: File being forwarded to HQ for processing.

Enclosure(s): Original Jackson file 157-414.

Details: Original Jackson file JN 157-414 is being forwarded to FBIHQ for processing.

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To: Records Management From: Jackson
Re: 190-JN-29130, 04/29/2003

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 04/30/2003

To: Records Management

Attn: FOIPA Section,

Room 6359

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From: Jackson

FOIPA Section

Contact:

Approved By:

Drafted By:

cfb

Case ID #: 190-JN-29130

Title: CHARLES EDDIE MOORE - SUBJECT
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER

Synopsis: File being forwarded to HQ for processing.

Enclosure(s): Original Jackson file 44A-JN-26759.

Details: Original Jackson file 44A-JN-26759 is being forwarded to FBIHQ for processing.

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From:**To:****Date:**

Tue, Apr 29, 2003 3:14 PM

Subject:

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Good Afternoon,

Please send **Jackson** file **44A-JN-26759** to HQ for processing.

FOIPA #973002-1

Requester: Bullard, Sara

Subject: Moore, Charles Eddie

Thank you.

Room 6359

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To: Administrative Officer

Date

2-6-03

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File No.

190

Subject

Vernon Dahmer

Social Security Account #

Aliases

Vernon Ferdinand Dahmer, Sr. Date of Death: 1-10-66

Address

Birth Date

Place of Birth

Race

Sex

☒ Male☐ Female

3-10-1908

Hattiesburg, MS B

Telephone #'s

- ☐ Exact Spelling ☐ Main Criminal Case File Only ☐ Restrict Locality of
☐ All References ☐ Criminal References Only
☐ Main Security Case Files Only ☐ Main Security (If no Main, list all Security References)
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

100 West Capitol, Suite 1553
Jackson, Mississippi 39269
May 12, 2003

Ms. Sara Bullard
Southern Poverty Law Center
400 Washington Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

RE: Medgar Evers

Dear Ms. Bullard:

Reference is made to your Freedom of Information/
Privacy Acts request regarding Medgar Evers.

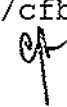
We have referred your request to FBI Headquarters for
processing. The FOIPA Section will maintain your request by
order of receipt and will assign it for processing in turn.

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and advise you of that number as soon as possible. Any future
correspondence concerning this request should be directed to FBI
Headquarters, FOIPA Section, 935 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.,
Washington, D.C. 20535-0001.

Sincerely yours,

Edwin L. Worthington
Special Agent in Charge

By: 
Michael D. Turner
Chief Division Counsel

- 1 - Addressee
② - Jackson (190-JN-29130)
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TO: ~~XX~~ Director, Att: Service Request Unit, Room 6359
☐ SAC,

☐ Albany	☐ Indianapolis	☐ Oklahoma City
☐ Albuquerque	☐ Jackson	☐ Omaha
☐ Anchorage	☐ Jacksonville	☐ Philadelphia
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☐ Birmingham	☐ Las Vegas	☐ Portland
☐ Boston	☐ Little Rock	☐ Richmond
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☐ Houston	☐ Norfolk	

☐ ASAC, Brooklyn-Queens (MRA)

Date 5/12/03

RE: VERNON DAHMER - SUBJECT
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER

REMARKS: Enclosed for the Bureau is the FD-521
to close this request. Notification was
received from FBIHQ that this request
was withdrawn.


SAC Michael D. Turner

FILE #: 190-JN-29130 - 60

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From: [redacted]
To: [redacted]
Date: Fri, May 9, 2003 1:13 PM
Subject: Request #973712 (Dahmer)

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Good afternoon, [redacted]

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Your request #973712 is from Sara Bullard for Vernon Dahmer.

For your information, you can close your request as "withdrawn" per [redacted] HQ Negotiation Team.

I got her to reduce her requests re dahmer to JN Reports' synopsis pages (all contained here at HQ files).

If you have any more requests from Bullard for JN files re civil rights victims, you may wish to call me before you refer any to HQ (my ext is [redacted])

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FIELD OFFICE - FOIPA REQUEST

1. FOIPA NUMBER:	
2. DATE RECEIVED: 02 03 2003	DATE REOPENED:
3. SUBJECT: DAHMER, VERNON	
4. REQUESTER: BULLARD, SARA	
5. ADDRESS: SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER 400 WASHINGTON AVENUE MONTGOMERY, AL 36104	
6. FIELD OFFICE: JN1	INITIALS: CFB
7. TYPE OF REQUEST: ☐ PRIVACY ☐ CITED PRIVACY ☒ FOIA	
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31. FOIA EXEMPTIONS: ☐ b1 ☐ b2 ☐ b3 ☐ b4 ☐ b5 ☐ b6 ☐ b7A ☐ b7B ☐ b7C ☐ b7D ☐ b7E ☐ b7F ☐ b8 ☐ b9 STATUTORY AUTHORITY IF b3 CITED: ☐ RULE 6 (e) ☐ 18 USC 2511 (3)-SECURITY ☐ 18 USC 2511 (1) (C,D)-CRIMINAL ☐ 28 USC 534 ☐ OTHER (30)			
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34. CLOSED THROUGH PROCESSING: ☐ 1. GRANTED COMPLETELY ☐ 2. DENIED COMPLETELY ☐ 3. GRANTED IN PART			

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 05/13/2003

To: Records Management

Attn: Service Request Unit
Room 6359

✓ From: Jackson

FOIPA Section

Contact: [REDACTED]

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Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

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Case ID #: 190-JN-29130-62

Title: MEDGAR EVERS - SUBJECT
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER

Synopsis: Request is being referred to FBIHQ for processing.

Enclosure(s): Enclosed for the Bureau is one copy of all correspondence and the FD-521 re this request.

Details: REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

1. Process this request in accordance with current procedures, and correspond directly with requester.
2. Advise Jackson when to ship main files to HQ for processing.

Jackson located the following main files through a search of the automated indices:

1. BYRON DE LA BECKWITH, aka;
MEDGAR EVERS - VICTIM
CIVIL RIGHTS
OO: JACKSON
JACKSON FILE: 44A-JN-18683
BUREAU FILE: 44-122406

This file consists of three sections, approximately 650 pages.

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To: Records Management From: Jackson
Re: 190-JN-29130, 05/13/2003

2. BYRON DE LA BECKWITH;
MEDGAR EVERS - VICTIM (DECEASED)
HINDS COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, 1963
NCAVC - HOMICIDE (CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION ANALYSIS)
OO: JACKSON
JACKSON FILE: 252B-JN-18294

This file consists of one volume, approximately 100
pages.

3. MURDER OF MEDGAR WILEY EVERS;
ALLEGATIONS OF CIVIL RIGHTS VIOLATIONS
JACKSON FILE: 44B-JN-18330

This file consists of one volume, approximately 20
pages.

4. TRIAL OF BYRON DE LA BECKWITH FOR
THE 6/12/63 MURDER OF MEDGAR EVERS
SPECIAL EVENTS MANAGEMENT -DOMESTIC SECURITY
OO: JACKSON
JACKSON FILE: 100B-JN-19963

This file consists of one volume, approximately 130
pages.

For the information of the Bureau, the index cards
pertaining to MEDGAR EVERS have been removed from the manual
indices by Jackson Division personnel in compliance with the EC
to All Field Offices from HQ dated 05/31/02 pertaining to the
TRANSFER OF RECORDS TO THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS
ADMINISTRATION (NARA) CLASSIFICATION 44. That project is
ongoing. The EC has file number 66F-HQ-C1196849 serial 127.

The civil rights investigation pertaining to the murder
of Medgar Evers has been removed from Jackson's closed file
section for shipment in response to the NARA file transfer.

A review of a search slip from a previous FOIPA request
regarding MEDGAR EVERS located the following main files:

5. BYRON DE LA BECKWITH, AKA
MEDGAR EVERS - VICTIM
CR - RM
JACKSON FILE: 157-44
BUREAU FILE: 157-901

To: Records Management From: Jackson
Re: 190-JN-29130, 05/13/2003

This file consists of 16 sections, approximately 3200 pages.

6. MEMORIAL MARCH FOR
MEDGAR EVERS, SPONSORED
BY NAACP, 6/12/66,
JACKSON, MISS.
RM
JACKSON FILE: 157-6241

This file consists of one section, containing 24 pages.

7. MEMORIAL MARCH FOR
MEDGAR EVERS, SPONSORED BY
NAACP, VICKSBURG, WARREN COUNTY, MS.,
6/12/66, RM
JACKSON FILE: 157-6244

This file consists of one section, containing six pages.

8. MEMORIAL MARCH FOR MEDGAR
EVERS SPONSORED BY THE
NAACP, VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI
6/11/67, RM
JACKSON FILE: 157-8057

This file consists of one section, containing two pages.

9. NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE (NAACP)
SPONSORED MEMORIAL MARCH,
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, JUNE 16, 1968,
IN HONOR OF THE LATE MEDGAR EVERS
RM
JACKSON FILE 157-9967

This file consists of one section, containing 29 pages.

10. NAACP MATCH COMMEMORATING DEATH OF
MEDGAR EVERS SCHEDULED TO BE
HELD 6/15/69, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI
RM
JACKSON FILE: 157-11040

This file consists of one section, containing 45 pages.

To: Records Management From: Jackson
Re: 190-JN-29130, 05/13/2003

11. MARCH COMMEMORATING DEATH
OF MEDGAR EVERS TO BE HELD
JUNE 14, 1970
RM
JACKSON FILE: 157-12275

This file consists of 1 section, containing 10 pages.

12. MEMORIAL SERVICE SCHEDULED
TO BE HELD JUNE 13, 1971,
COMMEMORATING DEATH OF
MEDGAR EVERS,
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, RM
OO: JACKSON
JACKSON FILE: 157-14314

This file consists of 1 section, containing 9 pages.

13. MEMORIAL SCHEDULED FOR
JUNE 12, 1973, AT FAYETTE
AND JACKSON, MISS.,
COMMEMORATING 10TH ANNIVERSARY
OF MEDGAR EVERS' DEATH
CIVIL UNREST
OO: JACKSON
JACKSON FILE: 157-16566

This file consists of 1 section, containing 14 pages.

To: Records Management From: Jackson
Re: 190-JN-29130, 05/13/2003

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AT WASHINGTON, DC

Process this request in accordance with current
procedures.

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FIELD OFFICE - FOIPA REQUEST

1. FOIPA NUMBER:	
2. DATE RECEIVED: 02 03 2003	DATE REOPENED:
3. SUBJECT: EVERS, MEDGAR	
4. REQUESTER: BULLARD, SARA	
5. ADDRESS: SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER 400 WASHINGTON AVENUE MONTGOMERY, AL 36104	
6. FIELD OFFICE: JN1	INITIALS: CFB
7. TYPE OF REQUEST: ☐ PRIVACY ☐ CITED PRIVACY ☒ FOIA	
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9. FEE WAIVER: ☐ 1. GRANTED ☐ 2. DENIED ☐ 3. PARTIAL	
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16. PREPROCESSED PAGES RELEASED:	
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To: Administrative Officer

Subject

Medgar Evers

Aliases

Address

Birth Date

Place of Birth

Race

Sex

☒ Male☐ Female

Telephone #'s

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Medgar Wiley Evers

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Medgar Wiley Evers

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ATTENTION: PLS

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FROM: FBIHQ - FOIPA SECTION

FOI/PA REQUEST OF Bullard, Sara

SUBJECT Charles Eddie Moore

FOIPA NO. 973002-1

CASE ID# 190-JN-29130 EC dated 4/03/03

WE ARE RETURNING THE FILE RESPONSIVE TO THE ABOVE
REQUEST.

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IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS,

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EXT FBIHQ, RMD/FOIPA/ WORK PROCESSING UNIT
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FROM: FBIHQ - FOIPA SECTION

FOI/PA REQUEST OF SARA BULLARD

SUBJECT JASPER GREENWOOD

FOIPA NO. 972991-1

CASE ID# 190-JN-29130

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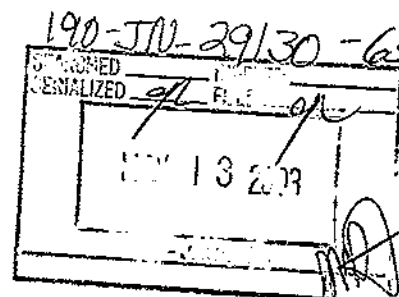
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 05/16/2003

To: Records Management

Attn: Records Information
and Dissemination
Section, Room 6359,
[redacted]

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From: Jackson
FOIPA Section
Contact: [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted] cfb

Case ID #: 190-JN-29130-66

Title: BENJAMIN BROWN - SUBJECT
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER

Synopsis: Files being forwarded to HQ for processing.

Enclosure(s): Original Jackson files 157-9837, [redacted] and
[redacted]

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Details: Original Jackson files 157-9837, [redacted] and [redacted]
are being forwarded to FBIHQ for processing.

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For the information of the Bureau, information has been previously released pertaining to BENJAMIN BROWN. The FOIPA numbers for the previous request are: 435439, 434100 and 0399198.

The civil rights investigation pertaining to the death of Benjamin Brown has been removed from Jackson's closed file section in compliance with the EC to All Field Offices from HQ dated 05/31/02 pertaining to the TRANSFER OF RECORDS TO THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION (NARA) CLASSIFICATION 44. That project is ongoing. The EC has file number 66F-HQ-C1196849 serial 127.

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To: Records Management From: Jackson
Re: 190-JN-29130, 05/16/2003

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Files are enclosed per your request.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: May 14, 2003

To: Jackson

Attn: PLS [REDACTED]

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From: Records Management

Records Information and Dissemination Section/WPU-2/Room 6359

Contact: [REDACTED]

Approved By: Hardy David J

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Drafted By:

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Case ID #: 190-JN-29130

Title: BENJAMIN BROWN - SUBJECT
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIA MATTER

Synopsis: To advise Jackson Field Office to forward all files responsive for processing.

Details: Advising Jackson Field Office to forward the following files for further processing: 157-9837, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

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File No.

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Subject

Michael Schwerner 0

Social Security Account #

Aliases

Date of Death: 6-21-64

Address

Birth Date

Place of Birth

Race

Sex

☐ Male☐ Female

Telephone #'s

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* 44A-MO-34587 destroyed 9/8/01

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* 190-JN-18619

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Andrew Goodman 0

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Social Security Account #

Aliases

Date of Death: 6-21-64

Address

Birth Date

Place of Birth

Race

Sex

☐ Male☐ Female

Telephone #'s

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File No.

190

Subject

James Chaney

Social Security Account #

Aliases

Date of Death: 6-21-64

Address

Birth Date

Place of Birth

Race

Sex

☐ Male☐ Female

Telephone #'s

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

100 West Capitol, Suite 1553
Jackson, Mississippi 39269
May 22, 2003

Ms. Sara Bullard
Southern Poverty Law Center
400 Washington Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

RE: James Chaney;
Andrew Goodman;
Michael Schwerner

Dear Ms. Bullard:

Reference is made to your Freedom of Information/
Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request for information pertaining to James
Chaney, Andrew Goodman and Michael Schwerner.

The investigation into the deaths of these individuals
is maintained under the case caption MIBURN (Mississippi
Burning). Information from this file has been previously
processed and is available in the FOIPA Reading Room.

The FOIPA Reading Room is open from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30
p.m., by appointment only, Monday through Friday, except
holidays. Appointments can be made by requesters by calling
(202) 324-8057 forty-eight hours in advance. Information
regarding the MIBURN investigation is also available on the FBI's
internet website at www.fbi.gov.

Sincerely yours,

Edwin L. Worthington
Special Agent in Charge

1 - Addressee
2 - Jackson (190-JN-29130)
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By: *MTD*
Michael D. Turner
Chief Division Counsel

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☐ SAC,

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| ☐ Honolulu | ☐ New York City | ☐ Washington Metropolitan Field |
| ☐ Houston | ☐ Norfolk | |

☐ ASAC, Brooklyn-Queens (MRA)

Date 05/22/03

RE: JAMES CHANEY;
ANDREW GOODMAN;
MICHAEL SCHWERNER;
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER

REMARKS:

Enclosures for the Bureau:

1. Correspondence re this matter.
2. FD-521s

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SAC Michael D. Turner

FILE #: 190-JN-29130

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1. FOIPA NUMBER:	
2. DATE RECEIVED: 02 03 2003	DATE REOPENED:
3. SUBJECT: CHANNEY, JAMES	
4. REQUESTER: BULLARD, SARA	
5. ADDRESS: SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER 400 WASHINGTON AVENUE MONTGOMERY, AL 36104	
6. FIELD OFFICE: JN1	INITIALS: CFB
7. TYPE OF REQUEST: ☐ PRIVACY ☐ CITED PRIVACY ☒ FOIA	
8. TYPE OF REQUESTER: ☐ 1. NEWS MEDIA ☐ 2. SCHOLAR/HISTORIAN ☐ 3. PRISONER ☐ 4. PRIVATE CITIZEN ☐ 5. ORGANIZATION ☐ 6. CURRENT EMPLOYEE ☒ 7. FREELANCE WRITER/AUTHOR	
9. FEE WAIVER: ☐ 1. GRANTED ☐ 2. DENIED ☐ 3. PARTIAL	
10. FOIPA FILE NUMBER: 190-JN-29130	
14. TYPES OF MAIN FILES PROCESSED: ☐ WHITE COLLAR CRIME ☐ ORGANIZED CRIME ☐ TERRORISM/DOMESTIC SECURITY ☐ FCI ☐ APPLICANT/EMP. SECURITY ☐ MISC. & OTHER CRIMINAL ☐ CIVIL RIGHTS	
15. MISCELLANEOUS: <i>Requester advised to write HQ for preprocessed.</i>	
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31. FOIA EXEMPTIONS: ☐ b1 ☐ b2 ☐ b3 ☐ b4 ☐ b5 ☐ b6 ☐ b7A ☐ b7B ☐ b7C ☐ b7D ☐ b7E ☐ b7F ☐ b8 ☐ b9 STATUTORY AUTHORITY IF b3 CITED: ☐ RULE 6 (e) ☐ 18 USC 2511 (3)-SECURITY ☐ 18 USC 2511 (1) (C,D)-CRIMINAL ☐ 28 USC 534 ☐ OTHER (30)			
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4. REQUESTER: BULLARD, SARA	
5. ADDRESS: SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER 400 WASHINGTON AVENUE MONTGOMERY, AL 36104	
6. FIELD OFFICE: JN1	INITIALS: CFB
7. TYPE OF REQUEST: ☐ PRIVACY ☐ CITED PRIVACY ☒ FOIA	
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3. SUBJECT: SCHWERNER, MICHAEL	
4. REQUESTER: BULLARD, SARA	
5. ADDRESS: SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER 400 WASHINGTON AVENUE MONTGOMERY, AL 36104	
6. FIELD OFFICE: JN1	INITIALS: CPB
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

100 West Capitol, Suite 1553
Jackson, Mississippi 39269
May 23, 2003

Ms. Sara Bullard
Southern Poverty Law Center
400 Washington Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

RE: Wharlest Jackson

Dear Ms. Bullard:

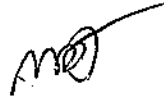
Reference is made to your Freedom of Information/
Privacy Acts request regarding Wharlest Jackson.

We have referred your request to FBI Headquarters for
processing. The FOIPA Section will maintain your request by
order of receipt and will assign it for processing in turn.

Headquarters will assign your request an FOIPA number
and advise you of that number as soon as possible. Any future
correspondence concerning this request should be directed to FBI
Headquarters, FOIPA Section, 935 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.,
Washington, D.C. 20535-0001.

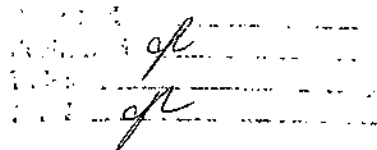
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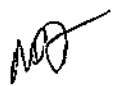
Edwin L. Worthington
Special Agent in Charge

By: 
Michael D. Turner
Chief Division Counsel

- 1 - Addressee
② - Jackson (190-JN-29130)
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To: Administrative Officer

Subject

Wharlest Jackson

Aliases

Address

Natchez, ms

Birth Date

Place of Birth

Washington Co. FL

Race

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Sex

☒ Male
☐ Female

Telephone #s

Date

2-6-03

Requested by

Squad

File No.

190-JN-29130

Social Security Account #

DOB: 2-27-67

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 05/23/2003

To: Records Management

Attn: Service Request Unit
Room 6359

From: Jackson

FOIPA Section

Contact: [REDACTED]

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Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED] cfb

Case ID #: 190-JN-29130

Title: WHARLEST JACKSON - SUBJECT
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER

Synopsis: Request is being referred to FBIHQ for processing.

Enclosure(s): Enclosed for the Bureau is one copy of all correspondence and the FD-521 re this request.

Details: REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

1. Search HQ indices for information responsive to this request, process in accordance with current procedures, and correspond directly with requester.

For the information of the Bureau, the index card pertaining to death of WHARLEST JACKSON has been removed from the manual indices by Jackson Division personnel in compliance with the EC to All Field Offices from HQ dated 05/31/02 pertaining to the TRANSFER OF RECORDS TO THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS administration (NARA) CLASSIFICATION 44. That project is ongoing. The EC has file number 66F-HQ-C1196849 serial 127.

A search of the automated indices located the following main file:

1. UNSUBS;
WHARLEST JACKSON - VICTIM
CR - RM
JACKSON FILE: 44-2044

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To: Records Management From: Jackson
Re: 190-JN-29130, 05/23/2003

The civil rights investigation pertaining to the murder of WHARLEST JACKSON has been removed from Jackson's closed file section for shipment in response to the NARA file transfer. Please search HQ indices for the corresponding HQ file and correspond with requester regarding this request.

To: Records Management From: Jackson
Re: 190-JN-29130, 05/23/2003

LEAD(s) :

Set Lead 1: (Info)

RECORDS MANAGEMENT

AT WASHINGTON, DC

Search HQ indices and correspond directly with
requester regarding his request.

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FIELD OFFICE - FOIPA REQUEST

1. FOIPA NUMBER:	
2. DATE RECEIVED: 02 03 2003	DATE REOPENED:
3. SUBJECT: JACKSON, WHARLEST	
4. REQUESTER: BULLARD, SARA	
5. ADDRESS: SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER 400 WASHINGTON AVENUE MONTGOMERY, AL 36104	
6. FIELD OFFICE: JN1	INITIALS: CFB
7. TYPE OF REQUEST: ☐ PRIVACY ☐ CITED PRIVACY ☒ FOIA	
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

100 West Capitol, Suite 1553
Jackson, Mississippi 39269
May 27, 2003

Ms. Sara Bullard
Southern Poverty Law Center
400 Washington Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

RE: Ben Chester White

Dear Ms. Bullard:

Reference is made to your Freedom of Information/
Privacy Acts request regarding Ben Chester White.

We have referred your request to FBI Headquarters for
processing. The FOIPA Section will maintain your request by
order of receipt and will assign it for processing in turn.

Headquarters will assign your request an FOIPA number
and advise you of that number as soon as possible. Any future
correspondence concerning this request should be directed to FBI
Headquarters, FOIPA Section, 935 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.,
Washington, D.C. 20535-0001.

Sincerely yours,

Edwin L. Worthington
Special Agent in Charge

By: 
Michael D. Turner
Chief Division Counsel

1 - Addressee
2 - Jackson (190-JN-29130)
CFB/cfb
(3)

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To: Administrative Officer

Date

2-6-03

Requested by:

Subject

Ben Chester White

Squad

File No.

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Social Security Account #

427-18-9202

Aliases

Date of Death: 6-10-66

Address

Birth Date

2-6-1899

Place of Birth

Race

B

Sex

☒ Male☐ Female

Telephone #'s

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☐ All References ☐ Criminal References Only
☐ Main Security Case Files Only ☐ Main Security (If no Main, list all Security References)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 05/29/2003

To: Records Management

Attn: Service Request Unit
Room 6359

From: Jackson

FOIPA Section

Contact: [REDACTED]

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Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED] cfb

Case ID #: 190-JN-29130

Title: BEN CHESTER WHITE - SUBJECT
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER

Synopsis: Request is being referred to FBIHQ for processing.

Enclosure(s): Enclosed for the Bureau is one copy of all correspondence and the FD-521 re this request.

Details: REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

1. Process this request in accordance with current procedures, and correspond directly with requester.
2. Advise Jackson when to ship main files to HQ for processing.

Jackson located the following main file through a search of the automated indices:

1. ERNEST HENRY AVANTS,
CLAUDE W. FULLER,
JAMES LLOYD JONES;
ADAMS COUNTY, MISS.;
BEN CHESTER WHITE - VICTIM
CR - FFA
OO: JACKSON
JACKSON FILE: 44A-JN-26638
BUREAU FILE: 44-33209

This file consists of 8 sections, approximately 1,230 pages.

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To: Records Management From: Jackson
Re: 190-JN-29130, 05/29/2003

LEAD(s) :

Set Lead 1: (Info)

RECORDS MANAGEMENT

AT WASHINGTON, DC

Process this request in accordance with current
procedures.

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1. FOIPA NUMBER:	
2. DATE RECEIVED: 02 03 2003	DATE REOPENED:
3. SUBJECT: WHITE, BEN CHESTER	
4. REQUESTER: BULLARD, SARA	
5. ADDRESS: SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER 400 WASHINGTON AVENUE MONTGOMERY, AL 36104	
6. FIELD OFFICE: JN1	INITIALS: CFB
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DATE 6-5-03

TO: Jackson FIELD OFFICE

ATTENTION: PLS

FROM: FBIHQ-FOIPA SECTION

SUBJECT: FOI/PA REQUEST OF

SUBJECT: Clifton Walker

FOIPA NO. 973234-1

REFERENCE IS MADE TO YOUR EC/AIRTEL DATED

4-29-03 (YOUR 190- JW-29130)

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TO THE ABOVE REQUEST. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS,

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EXT. FBIHQ, FOI/PA SECTION, RIDS.

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*File received
and returned
to closed files.*

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Date: Tue, Jun 17, 2003 12:01 PM
Subject: Medgar Evers, FOIPA #977939

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Fed-exed to you on 6/16/03, 1 box containing original Jackson files 157-44, 157-6241, 157-6244, 157-8057 and 157-9967.

Fed-exed to you on 6/17/03, 3 boxes containing original Jackson files 157-11040, 157-12275, 157-14314, 157-16566, 252B-JN-18294, 44B-JN-18330, 44A-JN-18683, and 100B-JN-19963.

Jackson file 44-37 is not available for shipping to you. All volumes have been pulled from the closed file section for shipping to National Archives in accordance with HQ EC 66F-HQ-C1196849 serial 127.

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RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION,
WORK PROCESS UNIT,
ROOM 6359

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FROM: JACKSON DIVISION

SUBJECT: MEDGAR EVERS
REQUESTER, SARA BULLARD
FOIPA # 977939

ENCLOSED ARE ORIGINAL JACKSON FILES:

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NOTE: This is the last of the files being sent.

Jackson file 44-37 has been boxed for shipment to National Archives and Records Administration and is not available for shipment.

From: [redacted]
To: [redacted]
Date: Tue, Jun 10, 2003 7:32 AM
Subject: Ship FO main files to HQ for processing

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I have a FO request for files pertaining to :

Subject: MEDGAR EVERS

Requester: SARA BULLARD

FOIPA #: 977939

Please forward files to HQ if they have not been transferred to NARA.

Send to: [redacted] Records Management Div., Work Process Unit, Room 6359. My extension is

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[redacted] Please give me a call when you receive this e-mail.

Thanks!

From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Date: Thu, Jul 10, 2003 10:17 AM
Subject: Ben Chester White; Sara Bullard, Requester

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I was contacted by the case agent of 44A-JN-26638. DOJ attorney advised case agent that an appeal has been filed. DOJ attorney and case agent request that no information be released.

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[Signature]

From: [redacted]
To: [redacted]
Date: Thu, Jul 10, 2003 9:26 AM
Subject: Ben Chester White; Sara Bullard, Requester

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Case is pending. The investigative part of the murder of Ben Chester White was closed in 1970. Due to new information case was reopened in 1999 and Ernest Henry Avants has tried, convicted and recently sentenced.

Case agent is contacting the prosecutor for his opinion on releasing any information. It is expected that the conviction will be appealed.

From: [redacted]
To: [redacted]
Date: Mon, Jun 30, 2003 9:40 AM
Subject: Field office request

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Hi [redacted] My name is [redacted] I received an EC from your field office. The file number is 44A-JN-26638 the case ID # is 190-JN-29130-78. these file consist of 8 section. could you please forward these files to me. My room # is 6359, extension [redacted] Thank you very much.

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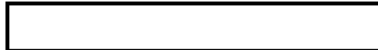
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To : SAC, Jackson

Date 08/18/2003

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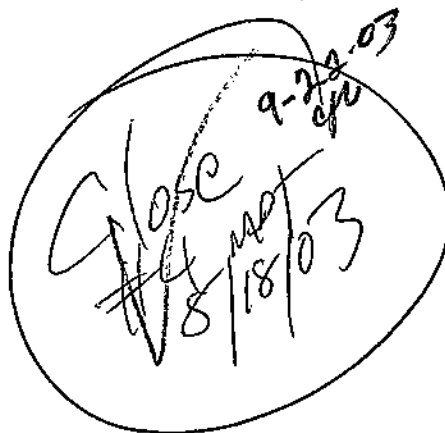


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Subject : Sara Bullard
FOIPA Requests

It is recommended that this file be closed. There is no further action necessary by the Jackson Office in regard to Ms. Bullard's requests.

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DATE: September 2, 2003

TO: JACKSON FIELD OFFICE

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FROM: FBIHQ - FOIPA SECTION

SUBJECT: FOIPA REQUEST OF BENJAMIN BROWN

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN BROWN

FOIPA NO. 976919

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(YOUR 190 - -).

WE ARE RETURNING ALL MAIN FILES RESPONSIVE TO THE ABOVE
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PLEASE CONTACT:

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 10/31/2003

To: Jackson Field Office

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From: Records Management

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Contact:

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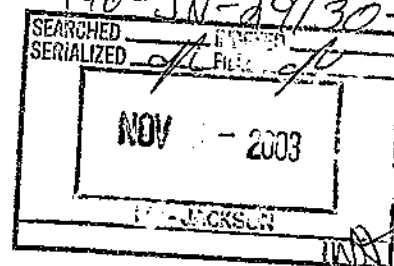
Case ID #: 190-JN-29130-42 (closed)

Title: EMMETT LOUIS TILL - SUBJECT
SARA BULLARD - REQUESTER
FOIPA MATTER - 973011-1

Synopsis: Files are being returned to JACKSON.

Details: FOIPA request 973011-1 is completed at HQ's,
returning file 44A-JN-18753. This file consisted of one
volume, approximately 20 pages.
Files were requested by email.

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(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state)

p. 00, THE CLARION- LEDGER
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(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

Date: May 18, 2006
Edition: Clarion Ledger

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Kennard: Justice finally in 46-year-old case

So, justice has finally come for Clyde Kennard—46 years late, but finally. Forrest County Circuit Judge Bob Helfrich slammed the gavel on the case Wednesday, in declaring Kennard innocent of the bogus charges for which he was convicted in Mississippi's troubled racial past.

As *The Clarion-Ledger* revealed, Kennard went to prison in 1960 for a crime he never committed after refusing to abandon his quest to enroll at the then all-white University of Southern Mississippi.

Kennard, a decorated Korean War veteran, was convicted for possessing stolen chicken feed and sentenced to serve time at the State Penitentiary at Parchman.

Even the late segregationist Gov. Ross Barnett, who allowed Kennard to go home from prison in 1963 to die of cancer, conceded Kennard was innocent.

POSTHUMOUSLY

The state of Mississippi wronged him. At least now, it has restored his good name posthumously.

But it took Judge Helfrich to put the issue to rest, with eloquent words. "It did begin here, and yes, it should end here," he said. "To me, this is not a black-white issue. It is a right-wrong issue. To correct that wrong, I'm compelled to do the right thing and declare Mr. Kennard innocent."

The mystery is why it took so long. Gov. Haley Barbour could have issued a pardon. His objection that it would be unprecedented to pardon someone who is no longer living seemed weak, even if he did have the law on his side.

But Barbour did support the court

action and had filed his own petition supporting the exoneration.

On Wednesday, Barbour praised the court's action.

As former Gov. William Winter—who with former 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Charles Pickering Sr., former state Supreme Court Justice Reuben Anderson, and former Circuit Judge Barry Ford, championed exonerating Kennard—put it, the message was crucial:

"Let the word go out from the courthouse in Forrest County, Miss., that we are committed to justice in Mississippi for all people of every race and every station and of every circumstance."

Justice came 46 years late, but justice did finally come for Clyde Kennard.

ONLINE
clarionledger.com

Forum: Did Clyde Kennard get justice?

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(01/26/1998)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**Precedence:** ROUTINE**Date:** 02/10/1999**To:** Albuquerque**From:** Albuquerque

Squad 8/DT

Contact: SA [REDACTED]b6
b7C**Approved By:** [REDACTED]**Drafted By:** [REDACTED]**Case ID #:** 266A-AQ-49491 (Pending)
266A-AQ-51083 (Pending)**Title:** [REDACTED]AOT-DT-VC-PARAMILITARY TRAINING/
ADVOCATE OVERTHROW OF THE GOVERNMENT[REDACTED]
AOT-DT-VC-PARAMILITARY TRAINING/
ILLEGAL WEAPONS/FELON IN POSSESSION**ARMED AND DANGEROUS****Synopsis:** Provide article from the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC) to the file.

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Enclosures: 1 copy of a three-page article from the SPLC Intelligence Report dated Summer 1997.**Details:** The attached document is titled, "Compound Trouble, Separatist Communities Worry Law Enforcement." The article contains three paragraphs of information concerning [REDACTED]b6
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ARMED AND DANGEROUS

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COMPOUND TROUBLE

SEPARATIST COMMUNITIES WORRY LAW ENFORCEMENT



America's most famous compound burns. David Koresh's Waco, Texas, compound erupted in flames at the end of a 51-day standoff with federal agents.

On a secluded road in southern Indiana, right-wing preacher Daniel Wright and his followers are living in what may be the United States' largest separatist compound. They have been at the place they call "Padanaram" for 31 years now, financed by a vast logging operation and protected by heavy guns, waiting for the apocalypse.

Wright's 200-plus followers eat and work communally, and on their World Wide Web page they present themselves as a bucolic community that is based on what they call "familyism." But according to documents, interviews with former residents and police, the compound has been linked to far-right extremists, some criminal, around the country.

Paramilitary training has taken place on the compound's 3,000 acres, and members carry AK-47s and other weapons, officials say. The explosives expert of the now-defunct group, the Covenant, the Sword and the Arm of the Lord — a criminal, white supremacist organization that flourished in the 1980s — lived at Padanaram during that period, according to a former CSA leader. In 1976, Padanaram security chief Joel Hulsing murdered his wife, police say.

As long ago as 1969, violence was narrowly averted during a standoff between compound members and state police that began as a neighborhood dispute. Officials say members were better armed than police then, and are even more so now.

Padanaram is one of scores of similar, insular communities infused with far-right ideology. Most are separatist, and many are armed in anticipation of the end-times battle they believe is coming. Some already are known to law enforcement, while others remain secret, or at least unnoticed. But all of them worry police and experts on domestic terrorism, who fear that some apocalyptic groups hunkered down in compounds could flare into violence.

"The question of which of these communities will

go violent is the million-dollar question," says Stephen O'Leary, a leading expert on apocalyptic religions at the University of Southern California's Annenberg Center. "And there is no easy answer."

Experts say most of the compounds are millennial in nature, meaning that in one form or another their members are awaiting a coming era of perfection. Some even expect that change at the end of the millennium, in the year 2000. But not all are considered dangerous.

'WAITING FOR THE END'

"Millennialism takes lots of forms, and many millennialists are passively waiting for the end," says Catherine Wessinger, a religious studies professor at Loyola University who advised the FBI during its 1996 standoff with the Montana Freeman. "The problem comes when people think they will take part in the apocalypse, or even start it — when leaders start talking about provoking a war."

These groups run the gamut from unarmed Bible-centered communities to secret militia-allied paramilitary camps, from cross-burning neo-Nazi organizations to followers of a white supremacist religion known as Christian Identity. Many are virulently anti-government, and some already have shown a propensity for criminal activity. Several share a history of Identity beliefs, have allegedly stockpiled weapons, and involve many of the same players.

At Padanaram, Wright is known to have extensive contacts on the far right. Among his close associates, officials say, are Identity patriarch Robert Millar and James Ellison, the founder of the CSA. (Ellison, who was released from prison two years ago after serving time on weapons convictions, moved to Millar's Oklahoma compound and is now married to Millar's granddaughter.) Another associate of Wright's is Rue "Red" McKinney, a white separatist preacher who

Padanaram is not unique. Two other compounds in New Mexico and Oklahoma share a number of similarities with Wright's community, experts say.

Fifty miles outside Albuquerque, N.M., former militiaman Jim Thorsen occupies a compound built by the Heaven's Gate cult, whose members committed collective suicide earlier this year. Thorsen has claimed that God appointed him to lead patriots in the coming tribulation. Thorsen has told reporters he believes America is being taken over by the New World Order and that the "end-times" described in Revelations are near. He said he would continue work on the compound to create a shelter for like-minded relatives and associates when the apocalypse comes.

Thorsen's 40-acre site, near the isolated mountain town of Manzano, is largely constructed of walls of earth-filled tires that police fear are ideally suited to withstand any police action. "If anything happens," one worried law enforcement official warns, "getting in there is impossible. We'd need the military."

Officials say Thorsen has been associated with far-right figures such as Larry Crow, who was convicted of plotting bomb attacks on abortion clinics and civil rights organizations. They say he's a regular visitor to armed compounds with far-right ideologies. Thorsen will say only that his compound could be used by Christians during the coming tribulation.

Outside Muldrow, Okla., six miles up a rutted dirt road, Identity patriarch Robert Millar runs a 1,000-acre armed community known as Elohim City. Inhabited by some 85 men, women and children, the community features strangely shaped structures of chickenwire and stucco reminiscent of some cheaply constructed, Hansel and Gretel village.

and handcuffs. Oklahoma officials say that armed patrols have been sighted recently around the property's perimeter. "We have no doubt that Elohim City is in a state of armed preparedness, carrying on constant paramilitary training," an official says.

The chief similarity among these three compounds is their adherence to tenets of Christian Identity, which holds that Northwestern European whites, not Jews, are God's "chosen people" and the true Israelites. Identity followers generally believe that Jews are literally the spawn of Satan, and that blacks are subhuman "mud people." Many adherents expect the new millennium will bring race war and a pitched battle with the federal government.

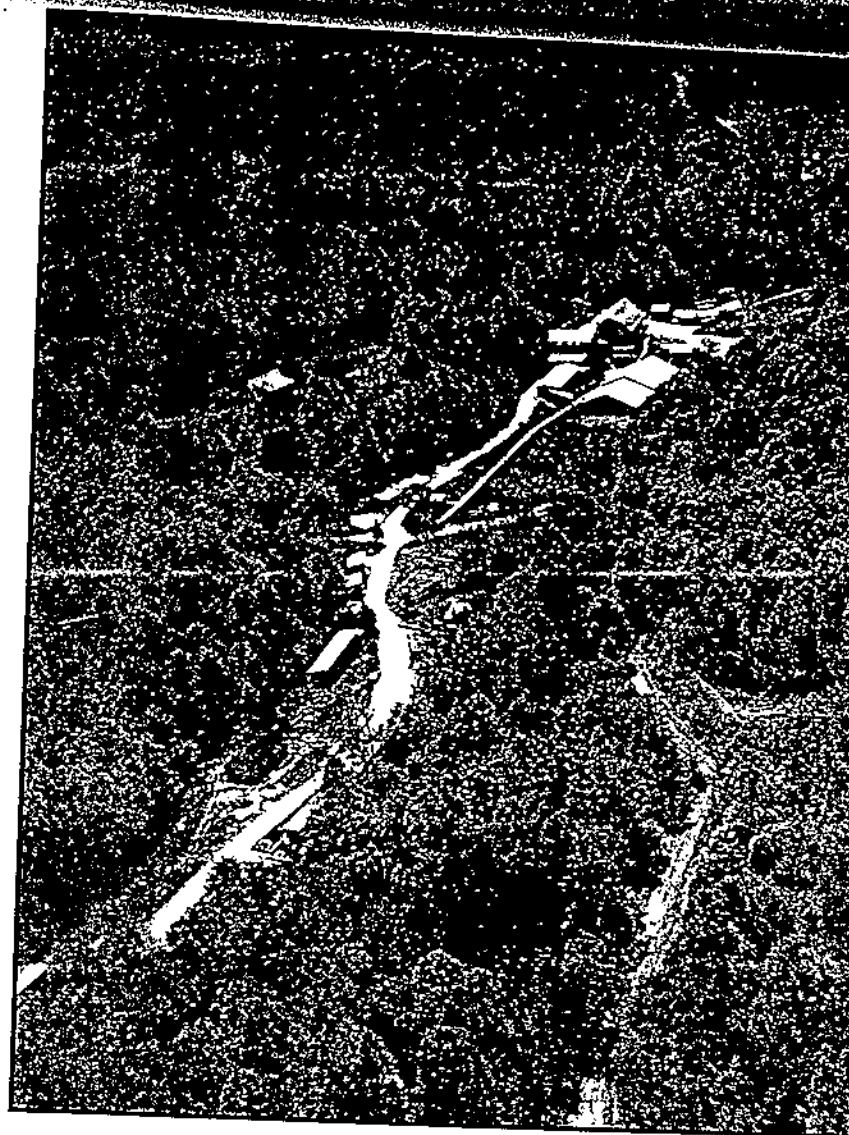
Brent Smith, an expert on domestic terrorism at the University of Alabama at Birmingham, says the classic example of a compound turning violent is the CSA community near Three Brothers, Ark. It was founded by Ellison in the mid-1970s as a kind of religious training ground, but soon attracted various zealots from around the nation. By the early 1980s, Smith notes, members were committing crimes such as the burning of a gay church in Missouri. Finally, Ellison became affiliated with the Order, an extremely violent subversive group that held up armored cars and committed at least two murders.

"Obviously, not all of the camps and compounds do that, but clearly there are some with more potential," Smith says. Aside from their insular nature, Smith sees the chief warning sign as a combination of a strong anti-tax stand (and illegal refusal to pay taxes) and Identity theology.

"To me," he says, "that's the straw that breaks the camel's back."

Jim Thorsen, a militiaman-turned-preacher who took over the former Heaven's Gate compound in New Mexico, is awaiting Armageddon.





Daniel Wright purchased 86 acres outside Williams, Ind., in 1966. Since then, the preacher and his followers have created a sprawling settlement they call Padanaram.

Law enforcement officials also long have been concerned about such compounds forming, in effect, a network of linked safe houses. Members and leaders of Elohim City, Padanaram and Thorsen's compound, for instance, are believed to visit each other frequently, also staying in touch by telephone and radio, officials say. And there are other intriguing connections as well. Most famously, Timothy McVeigh is believed to have called Elohim City just minutes after reserving the Ryder rental truck that he used to kill 168 people in Oklahoma City.

SAFE HOUSES

Kerry Noble, a former CSA leader and close associate of Ellison, says the links between such similarly-minded compounds present a ready-made underground support system. "When you get a network of groups, every time guys meet you spread the rhetoric," he says. "You set up a network, and it's safe to house someone there. There's no fear that the leaders will ask any questions."

One recent example: During the standoff between

ended in 1966. With Davis, Texas, compound, a gunfight with police. But after police called off their search the country was so busy. Keyes would die. But in the time, Keyes told a friend he'd escaped to a compound in a foreign country the help of all the members from the writer quoted Keyes as saying in a phone call. "I was in a group of six. Eventually, they me out of the country."

People gathered in compounds of ideologies. In Waco, David Koresh (also known as "Ranch Apocalypse"), was armed but nearly not racist. Idaho's compound, on the other hand, is actively anti-Jews and biases from entering and acting as a white supremacist hub. William Pierce's neo-Nazi compound in West Virginia. Outside Abilene, Texas, former pastor of Buffalo Bill Hawkins runs another compound of at least 200 people that is known as the House of David. Members deny they are armed, but he does say he and his followers are busy preparing for the coming of the Messiah.

"Many of these groups have never been a problem," says Oliver "Buck" Revell, retired associate director of the FBI. "But the trend is more of a dichotomy between these organizations and government at all levels, because more attention is being paid to them (by law enforcement) and the fact that many of them are flouting many laws."

Determining the potential dangers posed by similar communities is far from an exact science. For experts in academia and law enforcement say there are several red flags that may indicate a high propensity to violence. They include:

- Stockpiling of weapons, paramilitary training, calls for violent actions.
- Demonization of outsiders, intense racism, vilification of government.
- Extreme physical or psychological control of members.
- Isolation of members from the outside world.
- Sexual/physical abuse, harsh initiation rites.
- Paranoid interpretations of benign events.

But such criteria are difficult to apply to actual cases, says political scientist Michael Barkun, an expert on apocalyptic religions at Syracuse University. (See Barkun interview, Page 16.) "Speaking as one who has studied these groups for 25 years, there's still a great area of uncertainty and an inability to predict potential violence," he says. "That's very frustrating to law enforcement people. ... It's very hard for them to accept that degree of uncertainty." ▲

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 4/21/99

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U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Post Office Box 98128
Atlanta, Georgia 30359-1828

January 31, 2000

The Southern Poverty Law Center
400 Washington Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

To Whom It May Concern:

The Macon, Georgia Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) would like to be placed on the regular subscription mailing list for your "Klanwatch Intelligence Report."

The report should be mailed to the attention of Special Agent (SA) [redacted] FBI, Post Office Box 13046, Macon, Georgia 31208.

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Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Theodore Jackson
Special Agent in Charge

By:

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Supervisory Senior
Resident Agent

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 03/12/2009

To: Cincinnati

Attn: ☐ IA ☐

From: Cincinnati

Squad 8 JTTF Columbus RA

Contact: SA ☐

Approved By: ☐

Drafted By: ☐

Case ID #: ☐

(Pending)

Title: ACTS OF TERRORISM
DOMESTIC TERRORISM
INFORMATION CONCERNING ALLEGATIONS OF
POTENTIAL ACTS OF TERRORISM (AOT)
DT INTELLIGENCE

Synopsis: To provide information relating to DT activity within Ohio as reported by the Southern Poverty Law Center.

Enclosure(s): Southern Poverty Law Center Intelligence Report (periodical) dated Spring 2009 titled "The Year in Hate".

Details: The Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC) is a well known established and credible organization that monitors Domestic Terrorism (DT) activities within the US. As a result of their extensive research, the SPLC produces a quarterly magazine (enclosed) titled the Intelligence Report. The Intelligence Report provides information about the various DT groups / organizations operating within the US.

Within the enclosed Intelligence Report (Spring 2009), 23 Hate Groups were identified as having a presence in Ohio. The following information is a listing of these Hate Groups:

Ku Klux Klan:

Appalachian Knights of the Ku Klux Klan are present in Dayton, Ohio.

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To: Cincinnati From: Cincinnati
Re: [REDACTED] 03/12/2009

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Brotherhood of Klans Knights of the Ku Klux Klan are present in Dayton, Columbus, and Marion, Ohio.

United Realms of America Knights of the Ku Klux Klan are listed only as being in Ohio.

United Southern Brotherhood are present in Clyde, Ohio.

Neo-Nazi:

American National Socialist Workers Party are present in Wilmington, Ohio.

National Alliance are present in Cincinnati and Parma, Ohio.

National Socialist Movement are present in Cleveland, Covington, Fremont, and Lewisburg, Ohio.

Sons of Adolf Hitler are present in Chillicothe, Ohio.

White Nationalist:

European-American Unity and Rights Organization is present in Cleveland, Ohio.

Racist Skinhead:

Blood & Honor are present in Salem, Ohio.

Ohio State Hooligans are present in Loveland, Ohio.

Supreme White Alliance is present in Ohio.

Black Separatist:

Nation of Islam are present in Cleveland and Columbus, Ohio.

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To: Cincinnati From: Cincinnati
Re: [REDACTED] 03/12/2009

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General Hate:

Racist Music:

Diehard Records are present in Chesapeake, Ohio.

ISD Records are present in Lancaster, Ohio.

Militia / Patriot Groups:

Constitution Party is present in Columbus, Ohio.

Constitution Militia of Clark County is present in Springfield, Ohio.

John Birch Society is present in Columbus, Ohio.

Ohio Defense Force is present in Belmont County, Lisbon, Mount Vernon, Northwest, Southwest and Zanesville, Ohio.

Ohio Militia is present in Sandusky, Ohio.

Unorganized Militia of Champaign County is present in Saint Paris, Ohio.

Also listed within the enclosed SPLC Intelligence Report are listings for various web-sites which are related to these groups / organizations.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] in Merrill, Wisconsin, on April 21, 2000:

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Sheriff PAUL C. PROULX, Lincoln County Sheriff's Department, provided a packet that had been delivered to Lincoln County Sheriff's Department via the U.S. mail from the Nation of Yahweh. The packet contained a letter that explained the report titled "Operation Word War" was a rebuttal to Project Megiddo issued by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) in October 1999. The packet also contained a civil lawsuit on the behalf of the Nation of Yahweh against the Anti-Defamation League in the Southern Poverty Law Center (see attached).

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DATE 5/25/2000
BY Cam
DATE 5/25/2000

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WENDELLYN RUSH, Individually and
On Behalf of THE NATION OF YAHWEH and
All Similarly Situated Citizens of
THE NATION OF YAHWEH

VS

THE ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE
and
THE SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER

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CIVIL ACTION NO. _____

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

COMES NOW, Wendelllyn K. Rush, Plaintiff in the above styled and numbered cause, individually and on behalf of The Nation of Yahweh and all similarly situated citizens of The Nation of Yahweh, and files this Original Complaint, complaining of the Anti-Defamation League and The Southern Poverty Law Center, Inc., and for cause of action would show as follows:

I.

INTRODUCTION

1. Plaintiff for herself, The Nation of Yahweh, and all other members of the class described below, seeks equitable relief, and compensatory and exemplary damages when Defendants published statements that tended to injure the reputation of Plaintiff, The Nation of Yahweh, and its followers and citizens, and exposed Plaintiff, The Nation of Yahweh, and its followers and citizens

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to public hatred, contempt, ridicule, and financial injury, and impeached their honesty and integrity. Damages are further sought for the intentional infliction of emotional distress when Defendants participated in the defamation of Plaintiff, The Nation of Yahweh, and its followers and citizens because of their religious faith and beliefs. Plaintiff complains that Defendants' defamatory statements were published in the Project Megiddo report issued by the United States Justice Department, Federal Bureau of Investigation. Plaintiff demands a jury on all issues triable to a jury.

2. Plaintiff's cause of action arises out of defamation legislation found in Vernon's Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Civil Practice & Remedies Code § 73.001.¹

II.

PARTIES

3. Plaintiff is a resident of Guadalupe County, Texas. The Nation of Yahweh consists of a sovereign Hebrew Israelite people who share common customs, origins, history, culture, language, and religious belief based upon the commandments, laws, judgments, and statutes of God, יהוה, as taught by His Son, יהוה בן יהוה, Yahweh Ben Yahweh. Defendant, the Anti-Defamation League, is an unincorporated New York entity with its principal place of business in New York, New York. Defendant, The Southern Poverty Law Center, Inc., is an Alabama non-profit corporation with its principal place of business in Montgomery, Alabama.

¹ A libel is a defamation expressed in written or other graphic form that tends to blacken the memory of the dead or that tends to injure a living person's reputation and thereby expose the person to public hatred, contempt or ridicule, or financial injury or to impeach any person's honesty, integrity, virtue, or reputation or to publish the natural defects of anyone and thereby expose the person to public hatred, ridicule, or financial injury.

III.

JURISDICTION

4. This is a civil action over which this court has jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332 because of the diversity of the parties and because the individual claims of Plaintiff and each class member exceeds \$75,000, exclusive of interests and costs .

5. Venue is proper in the Western District of Texas, under 28 U.S.C. § 1391 (a) (3) since any defendant is subject to personal jurisdiction in the Western District of Texas at the time the action commenced .

IV.

CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO SUIT

6. The acts complained of began on or about October 30, 1999 when the Federal Bureau of Investigation issued its Project Megiddo report and occurred within the proper time limitations imposed.

V.

CLASS ACTION

7. This action is brought by Plaintiff as a class action, on her own behalf, on behalf of The Nation of Yahweh, and on behalf of all others similarly situated, under the provisions of Rules 23(a) and 23(b) (1) (A) and (B) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, for damages as alleged in this Original Complaint.

8. The class so represented by Plaintiff in this action, and of which Plaintiff herself is a member, consists of Hebrew Israelite people who share common customs, origins, history, culture, language, and religious belief, and who are citizens of The Nation of Yahweh.

9. The exact number of members of the class identified above is not known, but there are currently worshipers of variant races from more than 40 cities within America, who gather to celebrate holy days and feasts at least three times each year. The class is so numerous that joinder of individual members in this action is impracticable.

10. There are common questions of law involved in this action that affect the rights of each member of the class and the relief sought is common to the entire class as to whether the class is entitled to recover damages for Defendants' published statements that tended to injure the class's reputation, and exposed the class to public hatred, contempt, ridicule, and financial injury, and impeached the class's honesty and integrity; and whether the class is entitled to recover damages from Defendants for the intentional infliction of emotional distress.

11. The claims of Plaintiff, who is a representative of the class, are typical of the claims of the class, in that the claims of all members of the class, including Plaintiff, depend on a showing of the acts or omissions of Defendants giving rise to the right of Plaintiff to the relief sought. There is no conflict as between Plaintiff and other members of the class with respect to this action, or with respect to the claims for relief set forth in this Original Complaint.

12. The named Plaintiff is the representative party for the class, and is able to, and will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the class.

13. This action is properly maintained as a class action in that the prosecution of separate actions by individual members of the class would create a risk of varying adjudications with respect to individual members of the class which would establish incompatible standards of conduct for the Defendants, all of whom oppose the class.

14. This action is also properly maintained as a class action in that the prosecution of

separate actions by individual members of the class would create a risk of adjudications with respect to individual members of the class which would as a practical matter be dispositive of the interest of the other members not parties to the adjudications or would substantially impair or impede their ability to protect their interests.

VI.

FIRST COUNT - LIBEL

15. On or about October 30, 1999, the United States Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) issued its Project Megiddo Report (PMR) to law enforcement officials at the annual convention of the International Association of Chiefs of Police.

16. In November 1999, the FBI posted the 32-paged PMR on its Internet Web site, in which Chapter VI referred to the "Black Hebrew Israelites (BHI)," and which made specific mention of The Nation of Yahweh as a group of BHI.

17. The PMR stated, in terms and language when given their plain, ordinary, and rational meaning, in light of their context as a whole, that The Nation of Yahweh, its followers, and its citizens were motivated by religious beliefs to engage in violence against "whites" at the end of 1999 and the beginning of the new millennium. No exact words, published in the PMR made this specific statement about The Nation of Yahweh; yet, relevant parts of the PMR read as follows:

"...certain segments of the BHI movement have the potential to engage in violence at the turn of the century." (page 23)
"...current intelligence from a variety of sources indicates that extreme factions of BHI groups are preparing for a race war to close the millennium." "Violent BHI groups are of particular concern as the millennium approaches...." (page 23)
"Some BHI followers have been observed in public donning primarily black clothing, with emblems and/or patches bearing the 'Star of David' symbol. Some BHI members practice paramilitary operations and wear web belts and shoulder holsters." (page 23) "...condemning whites as incarnate manifestations of evil." (page 23)

18. These statements, when examined in their context as a whole and viewed in their surrounding circumstances, constitute statutory libel because they tend to injure the reputation of the Plaintiff, The Nation of Yahweh, and all other members of the class, and to expose the Plaintiff, The Nation of Yahweh, and all other members of the class to public hatred, contempt, ridicule, and financial injury. Defendant's defamatory statements have impeached their honesty and integrity.

19. A copy of Chapter VI of the PMR containing the defamatory statements is attached as Exhibit A and is incorporated into this Original Complaint by reference.

20. The defamatory statements constitute defamation per se in that they inseparably associate The Plaintiff, The Nation of Yahweh, and its followers and citizens with potential violent, criminal acts and alleged racism.

21. Defendants, the Anti-Defamation League and The Southern Poverty Law Center, Inc., are the original publishers of articles containing defamation per se statements, each having issued a report in 1991 and 1997 respectively.

22. The unknown authors of the PMR caused these defamation per se statements to be repeated within the PMR's chapter on BHI as a natural consequence of the original publications.

23. Prior to October 1999, Defendants have demonstrated an aggressive controversy with The Nation of Yahweh because of its history, heritage, and beliefs, and because its followers and citizens openly and rightfully utter the name of God, יהוה, Yahweh.

24. Defendant, the Anti-Defamation League, has, or had, a close relationship between its fact-finding division and the counterterrorism department of the FBI.

25. Defendants worked in consort with the unknown authors of the PMR to include BHI and The Nation of Yahweh in the PMR.

26. Defendants' publication of the defamatory statements were not privileged because they did not limit their publication to those with legitimate law enforcement interests, but participated in publishing the defamatory statements to the general public on the world-wide web with knowledge that the statements taken within their context as a whole, were false, and with reckless disregard to whether they were true or false.

27. All persons who read the defamatory statements understood that the statements were defamatory in the manner described. Furthermore, persons who read the defamatory statements understood that the statements referred to Plaintiff, Wendelbyn Rush, The Nation of Yahweh, and all its followers and citizens.

28. The defamatory statements set forth above are false. The Nation of Yahweh has an identifiable history as a legitimate religious organization, which welcomes adherents from all races and ethnic groups. It is known and identified by distinctive "white garments" and "diadems" (head coverings) of its followers; and even more unique, their Tetragrammaton (יהוה) necklaces. Yahweh Ben Yahweh teaches his followers not to carry weapons. "Whites" are not condemned as incarnate manifestations of evil. "White people" do not have the patent on evil. Evil has no color barrier: Evil is found in all colors and sexes. This is what Yahweh Ben Yahweh teaches and has always taught. Furthermore, The Nation of Yahweh places no special significance on the year 2000. The Nation of Yahweh celebrated its new millennium over two years ago at the ushering in of the year 6000 under the solar calendar.

29. As a direct and proximate result of the Defendants' publication of the defamatory statements, the reputation of the Plaintiff, The Nation of Yahweh, and all other members of the class have been severely injured. The allegations contained in the defamatory statements have caused

Plaintiff, Wendellyn Rush, to suffer extreme mental anguish, public humiliation, and embarrassment.

30. Furthermore, Plaintiff, Wendellyn Rush and Plaintiff class are entitled to exemplary damages because Defendants acted with malice and with a conscious indifference to the rights, safety, or welfare of Plaintiff with actual, subjective awareness that their conduct involved an extreme degree of risk of harm to Plaintiff, The Nation of Yahweh, and all other members of the class.

VII.

COUNT TWO – INTENTIONAL INFLICTION OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS

31. Each and every allegation contained in the foregoing paragraphs is realleged as if fully rewritten herein.

32. The defamatory statements were relied upon by the news media and repeated in their news casts. One press report, heard on "Good Morning America" on 11/22/99, resulted in a memo seen circulated on the Internet on 12/07/99. That memo warned folks to stay home New Year's Eve because "...groups such as the World Church of the Creator a.k.a. KKK, and Black Hebrew activists are reported to be preparing to launch a holy war separating church and government on the eve of 2000." On 12/27/99, two followers of The Nation of Yahweh shared their distress and astonishment with Plaintiff that they had found copies of the same memo being distributed on their jobs, adding to Plaintiff's emotional distress.

33. Defendants' actions were extreme and outrageous in character, and so extreme in degree, as to go beyond all possible bounds of decency, as to be regarded as atrocious and utterly intolerable in a civilized community. In particular, their conduct was outrageous because the defamatory statements fed upon local prejudices and suggested a false basis for such prejudices

against The Nation of Yahweh and its followers and citizens.

34. The Defendants' actions proximately caused Plaintiff damage in that they caused Plaintiff to suffer severe emotional distress. In particular, the Defendants' conduct was the direct and proximate cause of severe disappointment, indignation, wounded pride, shame, despair, and public humiliation in that Plaintiff has been made the object of gossip and rumor in her profession and/or in the community at large.

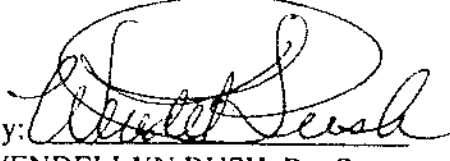
35. Plaintiff's emotional distress has been severe in that Plaintiff has suffered numerous sleepless nights, has been unable to enjoy or digest her food, and has experienced severe dread of being followed and under telephonic surveillance as a proximate result of Defendants actions and conduct. By a sheer matter of happenstance, it came to Plaintiff's attention that an unknown passenger left luggage on a plane during Plaintiff's recent trip into Miami, which contained a paper in an inside pocket with the Plaintiff's name typewritten on it.

36 Defendants' conduct described in this Original Complaint was malicious so as to entitle Plaintiff and Plaintiff class to recover exemplary damages. In this connection, Plaintiff will show that as a result of their conduct, Plaintiff has suffered losses to be awarded exemplary damages.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff requests, for herself, The Nation of Yahweh, and all other members of the class identified in this Original Complaint:

1. That the rights of the followers and citizens of The Nation of Yahweh be adjudicated and declared;
2. That Plaintiff class be awarded damages incident to the equitable relief requested, in the sum of twelve trillion dollars; and
3. That Plaintiff have such other and further relief as the Court deems appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 29TH day of February 2000, I sent by certified U.S. mail, return receipt requested, a true and correct copy of the foregoing Plaintiff's Original Complaint to the following:

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Anti-Defamation League
823 United Nations Plaza
New York, New York 10017

Morris S. Dees, Jr., Executive Committee Chair
The Southern Poverty Law Center, Inc.
400 Washington Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36104


Wendellyn Rush

EXHIBIT A

VI. BLACK HEBREW ISRAELITES

As the millennium approaches, radical fringe members of the Black Hebrew Israelite (BHI) movement may pose a challenge for law enforcement. As with the adherents of most apocalyptic philosophies, certain segments of the BHI movement have the potential to engage in violence at the turn of the century. This movement has been associated with extreme acts of violence in the recent past, and current intelligence from a variety of sources indicates that extreme factions of BHI groups are preparing for a race war to close the millennium.

Violent BHI followers can generally be described as proponents of an extreme form of black supremacy. Drawing upon the teachings of earlier BHI adherents, such groups hold that blacks represent God's true "chosen people," while condemning whites as incarnate manifestations of evil. As God's "authentic" Jews, BHI adherents believe that mainstream Jews are actually imposters. Such beliefs bear a striking resemblance to the Christian Identity theology practiced by many white supremacists. In fact, Tom Metzger, renowned white supremacist, once remarked, "They're the black counterpart of us."²⁸ Like their Christian Identity counterparts, militant BHI followers tend to see themselves as divinely endowed by God with superior status. As a result, some followers of this belief system hold that violence, including murder, is justifiable in the eyes of God, provided that it helps to rid the world of evil. Violent BHI groups are of particular concern as the millennium approaches because they believe in the inevitability of a race war between blacks and whites.

The extreme elements of the BHI movement are prone to engage in violent activity. As seen in previous convictions of BHI followers, adherents of this philosophy have a proven history of violence, and several have been observed in public donning primarily black clothing, with emblems and/or patches bearing the "Star of David" symbol. Some BHI members practice paramilitary operations and wear web belts and shoulder holsters. Some adherents have extensive criminal records for a variety of violations, including

²⁸ See Fall 1997 edition of the Southern Poverty Law Center's Intelligence Report, "Rough Waters: Stream of Knowledge Probed by Officials."

weapons charges, assault, drug trafficking, and fraud.

In law enforcement circles, BHI groups are typically associated with violence and criminal activity, largely as a result of the movement's popularization by Yahweh Ben Yahweh, formerly known as Hulon Mitchell, Jr., and the Miami-based Nation of Yahweh (NOY). In reality, the origins of the BHI movement are non-violent. While the BHI belief system may have roots in the United States as far back as the Civil War era, the movement became more recognized as a result of the teachings of an individual known as Ben Ami Israel, a.k.a. Ben Carter, from the south side of Chicago. Ben Israel claims to have had a vision at the age of 27, hearing "a voice tell me that the time had come for Africans in America, the descendants of the Biblical Israelites, to return to the land of our forefathers."²⁹ Ben Israel persuaded a group of African-Americans to accompany him to Israel in 1967, teaching that African-Americans descended from the biblical tribe of Judah and, therefore, that Israel is the land of their birthright. Ben Israel and his followers initially settled in Liberia for the purposes of cleansing themselves of bad habits. In 1969, a small group of BHI followers left Liberia for Israel, with Ben Israel and the remaining original migrants arriving in Israel the following year. Public source estimates of the BHI community in Israel number between 1500 and 3000.³⁰ Despite promoting non-violence, members of Ben Israel's movement have shown a willingness to engage in criminal activity. For example, in 1986, Ben Israel and his top aide, Prince Asiel Ben Israel, were convicted of trafficking stolen passports and securities and forging checks and savings bonds.³¹

BHI in Israel are generally peaceful, if somewhat controversial. The FBI has no information to indicate that Ben Israel's BHI community in Israel is planning any activity - terrorist, criminal, or otherwise - inspired by the coming millennium. Ben Israel's claims to legitimate Judaism have at times caused consternation to the Israeli government. BHI adherents in Israel have apparently espoused anti-Semitic remarks, labeling Israeli Jews as

²⁹ Linda Jones, "Claiming a Promised Land: African-American settlers in Israel are guided by idea of independent Black Hebrew Society," *The Dallas morning News*, July 27, 1997.

³⁰ Ibid.

³¹ See Fall 1997 Southern Poverty Law Center's Intelligence Report, "Rough Waters: Stream of Knowledge Probed by Officials."

"imposters."³² Neither the Israeli government nor the Orthodox rabbinate recognize the legitimacy of BHI claims to Judaism. According to Jewish law, an individual can be recognized as Jewish if he/she was born to a Jewish mother or if the individual agrees to convert to Judaism.³³ At the present, BHI in Israel have legal status as temporary residents, which gives them the right to work and live in Israel, but not to vote. They are not considered to be Israeli citizens. While BHI claims to Judaism are disregarded by Israeli officials and religious leaders, the BHI community is tolerated and appears to be peaceful.³⁴

While the BHI community in Israel is peaceful, BHI adherents in the United States became associated with violence thanks to the rise of the NOY, which reached the height of its popularity in the 1980s. The NOY was founded in 1979 and led by Yahweh Ben Yahweh. Ben Yahweh's followers viewed him as the Messiah, and therefore demonstrated unrequited and unquestioned obedience. Members of the organization engaged in numerous acts of violence in the 1980s, including several homicides, following direct orders from Ben Yahweh. Seventeen NOY members were indicted by a federal grand jury in Miami in 1990-91 on charges of RICO, RICO conspiracy, and various racketeering acts. Various members were convicted on RICO conspiracy charges and remain imprisoned.

While the overwhelming majority of BHI followers are unlikely to engage in violence, there are elements of this movement with both the motivation and capability to engage in millennial violence. Some radical BHI adherents are clearly motivated by the conviction that the approach of the year 2000 brings society ever closer to a violent confrontation between blacks and whites. While the rhetoric professed by various BHI groups is fiery and threatening, there are no indications of explicitly identified targets for violence, beyond a general condemnation and demonization of whites and "imposter" Jews. Militant BHI groups tend to distrust the United States government; however, there are no specific indications of imminent violence toward the government.

³² Jones, Dallas Morning News, July 27, 1997.

³³ Ibid.

³⁴ Ibid. In fact, in the community of Dimona where the BHI community resides, the Dimona Police Chief spoke in complimentary terms as to the group's discipline, leadership, and integrity.

We are a sovereign nation of Hebrew Israelite people who share common customs, origin, history, culture, language, and religious beliefs based upon the commandments, judgments, laws, and statutes of our God, יהוה, as written in the Holy Bible, and the erudite teachings of His Son, יהוה בן יהוה.

We hope to shed light on the fact that we are not and never have been the type of people described in this report.

Respectfully yours,

THE NATION OF יהוה

Enclosures

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THE NATION OF יְהוָה

Hebrew Israelites
Followers of יְהוָה
The Children of Ya'aqob
The Children of Yisrael
The Tribe of Yehudah

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Dear Sheriff Proulx:

The enclosed is our rebuttal to the PROJECT MEGIDDO report which refutes all of its accusations. This report was first issued by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) in October 1999, as its strategic assessment of the potential for domestic terrorism in the United States undertaken in anticipation of or response to the arrival of the millennium.

We, The Nation of יְהוָה (Yahweh), are greatly disturbed by the unwarranted and unprecedented attack on our Nation and Leader, יְהוָה בֶּן יְהוָה (Yahweh Ben Yahweh), by the United States Justice Department in their PROJECT MEGIDDO report. In this report, we have been accused of being associated with potential violence and possible criminal activity; and as such, we have been put on their terrorists list as one of their main target groups. Being considered terrorists suggests that we are a potential danger to the American government for the new millennium.

This is a report that was designed to assassinate the character of our Leader, בֶּן יְהוָה, יְהוָה, and to foster and incite hatred and violence against us as a Nation. The Messiah, יְהוָה בֶּן יְהוָה, is come. He is currently serving an 18-year prison sentence unjustly and unlawfully imposed by the United States government for conspiracy to commit RICO (Racketeer Influenced Corrupt Organizations).

The contributors to the FBI report were The Anti-Defamation League (ADL), The Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC), and The Ontario Consultants on Religious Tolerance (OCRT): Neither of whom has any personal knowledge of us as a Nation.

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**THE WAR IN HEAVEN: *The Unwarranted and
Unprecedented Attack on The Nation of יהוה (Yahweh) by the
U. S. Justice Department in its PROJECT MEGIDDO Report***

INTRODUCTION This article deals with how and why **warlike strategies** have been employed against **The Nation of Yahweh** to foster and incite hatred and violence against it and all of its citizens and followers.

The Nation of Yahweh consists of a sovereign Hebrew Israelite people who share common customs, origin, history, culture, language, and religious belief based upon the commandments, judgments, laws, and statutes of God, יהוה, as taught by His Son, יהוה בן יהוה (Yahweh Ben Yahweh).

The hostile assault upon The Nation of Yahweh was initiated by "**words of war**" currently found in the Project Megiddo report. The report was first issued by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) in October 1999 for the supposed purpose of assessing **possible** acts of domestic terrorism that **might be sparked** by the turn of the new millennium.¹

National criticism and clamor about Project Megiddo's reliability and relevance² -- only partly because January 1, 2000 was ushered in without any signs of domestic terrorism -- may result in congressional hearings in the future. However, the publication's *real* purpose must be exposed today. The

¹ "Project Megiddo," Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation (www.fbi.gov).

² "Christian Right Groups Protest FBI's Warning on Extremists," The Washington Post, January 6, 2000.

real purpose for including The Nation of Yahweh in a report outlining possible terroristic acts was **to discredit** Yahweh Ben Yahweh and The Nation of Yahweh. The authors of and contributors to Project Megiddo knowingly used wild speculations, false accusations, and misleading information to build up a hateful reaction in the minds of the American people against Yahweh Ben Yahweh and The Nation of Yahweh. They used deliberate, suggestive "buzz-word" verbiage to reprehensibly depict us as racists, religious fanatics, and domestic terrorists. Such fallacious portrayals make The Nation of Yahweh a victim of egregious hate crimes. We consider this a declaration of "war" against us.

DECLARATION OF WAR

"And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him." Revelation 12:7-9 KJV

The preceding Scripture from the Book of Revelation describes a war that is to occur at the so-called end time; and what immediately comes to mind is a battle of arms: weapons and violence. Could there be another meaning for this war that is to be waged between the angels? The word **war** in the Scripture is transliterated from the Greek word "polemos,"³ which is the root

³ James Strong, The New Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible, (Nashville: Thomas Nelson Publishers, 1990), p. 59, Greek Dictionary of the New Testament.

for the word "polemic" in the English vocabulary. **Polemic** means:

po-lem-ic (pe lem'ik, po-), *n.* 1. a controversial argument, as one against some opinion, doctrine, etc. 2. a person who argues in opposition to another; controversialist. *-adj.* 3. also, **po-lem'i-cal**, of or pertaining to a polemic; controversial. [1630-40 < Gk *polemikos* of or for war = *polem(os)* war + *-ikos* -c] -- **po-lem'i-cal-ly**, *adv.*⁴

po-lem-ic \pe-'lem-ik\ *n* [F *polemique*, fr. *polemique* controversial, fr. Gk *polemikos* warlike, hostile, fr. *polemos* war; akin to OE *ealfelo* baleful, Gk *pallein* to brandish] 1a: an aggressive attack on or refutation of the opinions or principles of another b: the art or practice of disputation or controversy -- usually used in plural but singular or plural in construction 2: an aggressive controversialist: DISPUTANT 3: *plural but singular or plural in construction*: the branch of Christian theology devoted to the refutation of errors -- **polemic** or **po-lem-i-cal** *adj* - **po-lem-i-cal-ly** *adv* - **po-lem-i-cists**⁵

Based on these definitions, it can certainly be surmised that the **war** in Revelation 12:7-9 does not solely reference a "physical" battle, but rather a **controversy; an aggressive attack on another's opinions, doctrines, or principles**. Further examining the word "war" itself shows that it has other meanings, among which are *have words [with], a war of words, hatred and hate*. [See; Webster's Universal College Dictionary, (New York: Random House, Incorporated, 1997), p. 884; *see also*, Laurence Urdang and Nancy LaRoche, eds.; The Synonym Finder, J. I. Rodale Warner Books Edition (New York: Rodale Press, Incorporated, 1978), p. 1333.]

⁴ Random House Webster's College Dictionary, 2nd ed. (New York: Random House, Incorporated, 1997), p. 1008.

⁵ Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary, (Cambridge: H.O. Houghton & Company, 1963), p. 656.

Project Megiddo was compiled from sources who not only have a controversy and a dispute with The Nation of Yahweh, but who also hate us and **want to totally refute our beliefs**. What sources? The Anti-Defamation League and the Southern Poverty Law Center, who take strong, hostile opposition with the **fact** that The Nation of Yahweh and the so-called “black” people in America, the descendants of slaves, are, **in reality**, the descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob (Israel): the **true** “chosen people” of the God of the Bible, יהוה, Yahweh.

As will be conclusively shown in this article, there can be no other logical basis for including The Nation of Yahweh in the Project Megiddo report, other than to allow these two organizations an opportunity to surreptitiously make an aggressive, abhorrent **verbal attack** against us. The Anti-Defamation League and the Southern Poverty Law Center detest us because of our history, our language, our name, and because we openly and rightfully utter the name of our God, יהוה, Yahweh.

The FBI has used biased information from these sources in its publication, and has pushed the envelope well beyond the fragile line that exists between law enforcement concerns and constitutionally protected liberties to accomplish the worst kind of assault -- a hate crime against an entire faith and people.

HATE CRIME

A **hate crime** by definition is "a crime in which the defendant intentionally selects a victim, or in the case of a property crime, the property which is the object of the crime, because of the **actual or perceived** race, color, religion, national origin, ethnicity, gender, or sexual orientation of any person."⁶

In addition, a hate crime does not always involve physical contact, physical violence, or a physical assault. As defined by the Anti-Defamation League in its "Model Legislation," a bias-motivated crime **can also include harassment, menacing, and intimidation.**⁷

Harass, the root word for harassment, means "to trouble, worry or torment, as with cares, debts, repeated questions, etc. and to trouble with repeated raids or attacks." **Menacing** is synonymous with "threatening" and "harmful." **Intimidation** comes from the word **intimidate** which means "to make timid; make afraid; daunt, or to force or deter with threats or violence."⁸

Each of these words is the basis for penal code offenses, such as stalking and terroristic threats: offenses that criminalize both physical acts as well as

⁶ Section 280003(a) Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act 1994 (28 U.S.C. 994).

⁷ 1999 Hate Crime Laws: II ADL Approach to Hate Crime Legislation (b) Text of ADL Model Legislation ([www.adl.org/99hatecrime/text _ legis.html](http://www.adl.org/99hatecrime/text_legis.html)).

⁸ All definitions from Webster's New World Dictionary and Thesaurus, CD-Rom, copyright 1998, Macmillan Digital Publishing.

abusive, degrading, and frightening oral and/or written statements.

Bias-motivated hostile or hateful speech, or other disrespectful and discriminatory behavior, can be illegal as well "...when they directly incite perpetrators to commit violence against persons or property, or if they place a potential victim in reasonable fear of physical injury."⁹

During President Clinton's State of the Union Address on January 27, 2000, he urged passage of the Hate Crimes Prevention Act with the following comments:

"Look around. We have members in this Congress from virtually every racial, ethnic, and religious background. And I think you would agree that America is stronger because of it. You also have to agree that all those differences you just clapped for all too often spark hatred and division even here at home. ...This is not the American way, **we must draw the line.**"
[emphasis added]

There is a spirited movement to pass hate crime legislation because "Hate crimes differ from other crimes in their effect on victims and community stability:

- ▶ Hate crimes are often especially brutal or injurious.
- ▶ Victim(s) usually feel traumatized and terrified.
- ▶ Families of victims often feel frustrated and powerless.

⁹ "What Is a Hate Crime," The International Association of Chiefs of Police - Responding to Hate Crimes (www.theiacp.org/pubinfo/pubs/hatecrime.htm).

- ▶ Others in the community who share the victim's characteristics may feel victimized and vulnerable.
- ▶ Hate incidents can escalate and prompt retaliatory action.
- ▶ Hate crimes and hate incidents create communitywide unrest."¹⁰

The Nation of Yahweh was intentionally selected for Project Megiddo because of its **actual** national origin and ethnicity – Hebrew, and because of its **perceived** race and religion. Those who chose to victimize us in this report hold an invidious hatred for our nation, our founder, and our beliefs.

The craft and skill, however, was to make it appear that The Nation of Yahweh deserved to be among a list of potential millennial domestic terrorists by using words of war: **Words carefully chosen** to paint a picture of us as the group to be feared, ridiculed, and avoided; nebulous and vague **words studiously selected** for their dubious implications.

This **semantic warfare** is more than merely expressing an "opinion." Why? Because, cloaked in an FBI report, these **biased, polemic words** have a pretense of significance and take on an undeserved look of legitimacy.

We shall expose how this process was accomplished by responding to direct quotes from the report. But first, to lay an appropriate foundation, take a brief look at The Nation of Yahweh's laborious, torturous past experiences

¹⁰ Ibid.

with the United States justice system.

PAST TORTUROUS BATTLE

The Nation of Yahweh has an identifiable history as a legitimate religious organization, which is included in the Encyclopedia of American Religions.¹¹

While incorrectly designated as a “black” supremacist and racist faith by disputants, The Nation of Yahweh **welcomes adherents from all races and ethnic groups**.¹² In fact, there are currently worshipers of variant races from more than 40 cities within America, who gather to celebrate our religious holy days and feasts at least three times each year. In the year 2000, we will be celebrating our **twentieth annual** Passover and Feast of Unleavened Bread, Feast of Weeks, and Feast of Tabernacles.

The federal courts have recognized The Nation of Yahweh in the civil case of Lawson v. Wainwright, Cause Number 83-8409-Civ-Aronovitz,¹³ in which U. S. District Court Judge Sidney Aronovitz declared that “...**the Hebrew Israelite faith is a bona fide religion.**”

¹¹ J. Gordon Melton, Encyclopedia of American Religions, 4th ed. (Detroit: Gale Research Inc., 1993), p. 868.

¹² Jonathan Z. Smith, ed., The HarperCollins Dictionary of Religion, (San Francisco: HarperCollins Publishers, Inc., 1995), p. 19.

¹³ 641 F. Supp. 312 (S.D. Fla. 1986); Lawson v. Dugger, 840 F.2d. 779 (11th Cir. 1987) vacated and remanded to require government agency to submit a plan that does not violate procedural protections afforded under the 1st and 14th Amendments.

However, in 1990, our legitimate, bona fide religion was **unjustly named** as the racketeering enterprise in a **three-count federal RICO indictment**, subjecting **an entire nation** and **an entire faith** to criminal prosecution and public persecution.

While members of any religious organization are not immune from criminal prosecution, defining a RICO enterprise as an organized religion is not only an attack on religious freedom, but it is also interfering with an individual's free exercise of religion. Never should alleged or perceived acts of individuals be extended to the whole entire group: It is unthinkable to label **all** "white" people guilty for the beatings and killings of America's slaves...**all** Jews as being responsible for the Atlantic slave trade...**all** Germans as participants in and responsible for the atrocities committed by Hitler and the Nazi regime; but yet, The Nation of Yahweh was permitted to be indicted as a whole.

The court denied all challenges to the indictment, and a five-month long trial against **a total of 16 defendants** commenced in January 1992 with the following results:

- ◆ Yahweh Ben Yahweh and six of the nation's citizens were convicted of **conspiracy to commit RICO only**;
- ◆ nine others were found **not guilty**; and

- ◆ **no one** was found **guilty** of the racially motivated killings of “white devils,” as alleged by the government.

Unhappy with the verdicts, in a fit of disgust, prosecutors pursued two capital murder cases in state courts against Yahweh Ben Yahweh and five others, using the same evidence and the same witnesses as in the federal case, and again:

- ◆ The jury returned **NOT GUILTY** verdicts on Yahweh Ben Yahweh and three co-defendants;
- ◆ The very next day, charges were **DISMISSED** against another co-defendant for 1st degree murder; and
- ◆ The state agreed to an unprecedented **no contest plea** and gave an **unheard of sweetheart deal** to the defendant who was charged with the most heinous of all their allegations -- a beheading.

Still not satisfied and seeking revenge for their federal and state court defeats, prosecutors again attempted state murder charges against four followers in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Once again, after authorities held these men for five months, the prosecutors asked that all charges be **DISMISSED**.

All allegations that Yahweh Ben Yahweh ordered any one to be harmed or killed came from suspected government agent provocateurs and disgruntled ex-believers who became FBI informants. They not only received benefit for their lies, but have, since the federal trial, also demonstrated their “true”

natures.¹⁴

The validity of the **federal convictions** is **still in question** because of these state court acquittals and dismissals. The federal indictment remains the subject of judicial and public controversy because the **federal prosecutors charged an entire faith** and an **entire nation**.

Both the trial judge and the decision from the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals support the significance of separating the whole from the individual:

"The Court: I have found it interesting as the trial progressed to learn more about the religion as espoused and preached by the defendant [Yahweh Ben Yahweh] and **I do not cast aspersions upon it or the beliefs of any body who follows [T]he Nation of Yahweh.**"¹⁵

"Not all the members of the Temple supported or were engaged in the homicidal activities that are the subject of this case. **But there is a distinction between the conspirators in this case and the general population of the Temple. We recognize and stress this difference...This case is not the prosecution of a religion.** The religion had adherents who never became involved in illegal activity and who were not implicated

¹⁴ All of the witnesses who testified that their violent acts were ordered by Yahweh Ben Yahweh were either granted immunity by the prosecution, or given a "sweetheart" plea bargain in return for their testimony. Robert Rozier, for example, who was the government's central and only witness as to the so-called "white-devil" murders, after being accepted into the witness protection program, was arrested for a criminal act. Rozier was recently indicted for theft in California and **indicted for a 1984 murder committed in New Jersey.**

¹⁵ Chief Judge Norman C. Roettger – The United States of America vs. Yahweh Ben Yahweh, et al, Case Number 90-868-Cr-Roettger, Trial Transcript Volume 74, Page 16.

in this conspiracy.”¹⁶

To agree that the whole should not be judged by the acts of the few, and to then proceed to do just that, is unconscionable. Meager attempts to distance the “religion” from the prosecution of individual “conspirators” were futile. Upholding the indictment of an entire nation and an entire faith as a racketeering enterprise has had the factual result of **branding all followers and worshipers as unindicted co-conspirators.**

The prejudicial error that occurred when both Courts permitted this unprecedented abuse of the RICO statute is demonstrated by the unjust treatment of the “individuals” not implicated in the criminal matter:

such as – a Miami nurse who was threatened with losing her job because she chose to wear her diadem (white head wrap) instead of a cap, which had been “okayed” prior to the trial – a South Florida defense witness who was summarily fired from her secretarial job when it was learned that she would be testifying for the defense and was a member of the faith – the Birmingham, Alabama couple whose competency as parents was attacked and

¹⁶ Appeal No. 92-4773; 11th Circuit Court of Appeals decision rendered on January 5, 1996, page 16, note 8.

unsuccessfully challenged in court because they chose to teach their children at home – the Army officer who was harassed for “belonging to the ‘black’ KKK” – the follower who was arrested in 1994 for a 1984 alleged murder in Pittsburgh when prosecutors knew he was not even named by any witness as having participated in the offense.

The failure of the Courts to protect The Nation of Yahweh -- as a whole -- has given the Anti-Defamation League and the Southern Poverty Law Center a device behind which to hide their true hateful intent: attempting to inhibit the free exercise of our religious beliefs.

Project Megiddo has continued with this deceptive maneuver by subjecting all of us to an unwarranted association with so-called fringe groups. We do not deserve to be linked with extrapolated predictions of future violence as atrociously articulated in the report.

Project Megiddo was distributed to the International Association of Chiefs of Police in October 1999, and its existence and contents started to leak into press reports, prompting the FBI to publish a redacted version on its Web

site.¹⁷ One press report, heard on “Good Morning America” on 11/22/99, resulted in a memo seen circulated on the Internet on 12/07/99. That memo warned folks to stay home New Year’s Eve because “...groups such as the World Church of the Creator a.k.a. KKK and black Hebrew activists are reported to be preparing to launch a holy war separating church and government on the eve of 2000.” On 12/27/99, two Miami worshipers were astonished, distressed, and sickened to find copies of the same memo being distributed on their jobs.

Inclusion of The Nation of Yahweh among such groups is engaging in a “war of words” against it:

- ▶ to belittle the teachings of Yahweh Ben Yahweh;
- ▶ to frighten away those who may be interested in learning more about its tenets; and,
- ▶ to willfully encourage and incite violent crimes motivated by hatred and bias against The Nation of Yahweh.

WORDS OF WAR

“Linguistics is the scientific study of human language in all its various aspects and forms – historical, cultural, social, and psychological.”¹⁸ Ask any

¹⁷ David Vise and Lorraine Adams. “FBI Warns ‘2000’ May Spark Violence,” The Washington Post, October 31, 1999.

¹⁸ Affidavit of Ronald R. Butters, Chairman of the Interdepartmental Committee on Linguistics Duke University submitted in The State of Texas vs. James Russell 1977.

linguistic expert and he will tell you that word structure (morphology), syntax (arrangement of words in phrases and sentences), and semantics (word meanings) are of utmost importance in any persuasive writing.

A writer chooses words for their function and for their affect on the reader. The authors of Project Megiddo carefully chose and studiously selected deceptive and vague words and placed them into the report fully conscious of their context. When these words were put into the report that was released by the "FBI," they were taken to be credible. This was the authors' first "desired" affect.

The other desired affect for such methodically combined words was to convince the readers that The Nation of Yahweh should be labeled as a millennial domestic terrorist group. Some of the tactics that were utilized to hopefully accomplish this desire are discussed below:

The Scare Tactic

The FBI, on the cover page to the report, characterized Project Megiddo as a "strategic assessment of the **potential** for domestic terrorism in the United States undertaken in anticipation of or response to the arrival of the new millennium." The word Megiddo is Hebrew for Armageddon, which has come to be synonymous with the final battle of the Apocalypse.¹⁹ The very use of

¹⁹ Project Megiddo, page 3.

“Armageddon” begins to conjure up fear and dread in the average reader. Add to this, the uncertainty about a Y2K computer failure saturated in the media, and the perfect state existed for the report to tell the readers who to fear, avoid, and why.

First, the report used three of its 32 pages to tell the readers to fear and to avoid the “Black Hebrew Israelites.” The report made it appear that there is one Hebrew Israelite convention -- among which is The Nation of Yahweh -- with generally shared tenets and philosophies who were preparing for a race war to welcome in the new millennium. **This is not true.** The FBI and its contributors -- the Anti-Defamation League and the Southern Poverty Law Center -- know from independent study that no one leader speaks for the various groups, and no two sets of customs or practices are the same.

Project Megiddo erroneously linked The Nation of Yahweh with potential millennial acts of violence. When most people hear the word “violent,” they think only on the physical level: guns, knives, clubs, and the like. The word **violent** has many meanings. In the Random House College Dictionary, Revised Edition, copyright 1988, on page 1469, **violent** means “pertaining to or **constituting a distortion of meaning or fact.**”

The Nation of Yahweh is not violent. The violent one is by definition the FBI: using the word **violent** to stir up fear and hatred, and to distort the

facts – to throw out negative aspersions about The Nation of Yahweh and the teachings of Yahweh Ben Yahweh. Matthew 11:12 describes the writers of and contributors to Project Megiddo:

“And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth **violence**, and the **violent** take it by **force**.”

On page 515 in the same Random House College Dictionary, the word **force** (a noun) means the “power to influence, affect, or control; persuasive power; power to convince.” The Nation of Yahweh does not have the capacity to **influence** the American people; we do not have the power to **control** what the American people believe or think. The Nation of Yahweh does not have **persuasive power** nor do we have the **power to convince** the American people. By definition alone, **the FBI was describing itself**, while appearing to be giving the people information to protect themselves against us. Their subtle approach was to convince the American people that the threat is from someone else, when in fact, the real threat to society is the violence (distortion of fact) and force (persuasive power) from within the FBI.

Second, the language in the report was artfully arranged and deliberately chosen to effect fear. Let’s examine a few direct quotes from the report to show how this was done:

A. *“...certain segments of the BHI movement have the potential to*

engage in violence at the turn of the century.” (page 23)

“...**Certain** segments...” is a play on words. When such generalities are used, the report can point a finger at almost any one, **which clearly suggests that the authors of the report didn’t wish to produce the facts.** According to Webster’s Ninth New Collegiate Dictionary, copyright 1989, page 222, the word **certain** means “of a specific but unspecified character, quantity, or degree.” The writers wanted to give the illusion that they were being specific when in reality they neither specified the character, quantity, number nor degree to *which* certain segments of the BHI movement were involved. **Potential** means “something that can develop or become actual.” Many Americans and people throughout the world have the “potential” – the mindset – to develop or become violent at any given moment, and not just at the turn of the century. To an individual who has the *potential* to engage in violence, the turn of the century is irrelevant. The turning of the century has no bearing upon that person’s violent behavior.

Why point a finger at BHI members? America is a very violent society: the most violent society in the world. There are many Americans with the “potential” to be violent.

So, why point a finger at BHI members, really? To distort facts in order to draw false and incorrect conclusions, that’s why. Let’s look at other quotes

from the report, but keep in mind who has the force (power to convince and persuade): the FBI and its friends in the media.

B. “BHI adherents in the United States became associated with violence thanks to the rise of [T]he NOY [Nation of Yahweh]... Members of the organization engaged in numerous acts of violence in the 1980s including several homicides... Various members were convicted on RICO conspiracy charges and remain imprisoned.” (pages 24-5)

We, like any other religion, do not perform background checks on attendees and worshipers. “Adherents” come to The Nation of Yahweh from the American society. Don’t lay their **mindsets** at the door of Yahweh Ben Yahweh. Lay them where they belong: at the doors of this society’s political, educational, economic, social, and spiritual institutions.

Yahweh Ben Yahweh teaches morality. He teaches adherence to the commandments, judgments, laws, and statutes of יהוה (Yahweh) from the Holy Bible (KJV). Those who “adhere” to these teachings are moral, law abiding citizens, and are in NO WAY prone to engage in violent activity.

The Nation of Yahweh does not try to conceal the fact that Yahweh Ben Yahweh and six of our citizens were convicted of conspiracy to commit RICO in 1992. Nor do we shy away from pointing out the following facts that Project Megiddo **deliberately kept** from its readers:

- ◆ There were twelve homicides alleged in the indictment.
- ◆ Robert **Rozier**, the chief government witness, **admitted in court**

to 7 of those homicides and is suspected of committing six other murders that, like the other seven, had nothing to do with Yahweh Ben Yahweh.

- ◆ Robert Rozier named Yahweh Ben Yahweh and others as his accomplices to try to lessen his culpability, after he was caught at the scene where he had just killed two men.
- ◆ All remaining allegations in the indictment against Yahweh Ben Yahweh were made by people who also had a motive to lie or to seek revenge.
- ◆ Rozier's hate for Yahweh Ben Yahweh was proven by a videotape played to the jury in the state murder trial which found Yahweh Ben Yahweh **NOT GUILTY**. The tape depicted Yahweh Ben Yahweh chastising Rozier for Rozier's ill morals and behavior. It demonstrated that Yahweh Ben Yahweh was attempting to encourage Rozier to follow a righteous path.
- ◆ It must be noted that Rozier was **arrested in 1986**, and **NOT ONE MORE MURDER**, supposedly associated with The Nation of Yahweh, was **COMMITTED AFTER ROZIER'S ARREST**.

With facts such as these, the question still remains whether Rozier and other accusers were not in fact government agent provocateurs.

Remember, that out of the 16 defendants on trial, only seven were found guilty of RICO conspiracy. These seven are the "various members" who were convicted and "remain imprisoned": **two of whom were released in 1999, and all of whom will be released by August 2001.**

Examine another quote under scare tactics. It should become more obvious that the tactics involve distorting facts, concealing whole truths, and

drawing wild conclusions.

C. *“...current intelligence from a variety of sources indicates that extreme factions of BHI groups are preparing for a race war to close the millennium. Violent BHI groups are of particular concern as the millennium approaches....”* (page 23)

First, “extreme factions of BHI groups....” This, too, is not specific. According to The Synonym Finder, by J. I. Rodale, copyright 1978, page 387, **extreme** is synonymous to lowest, smallest, minimal; and it also means highest. On page 390 of that same reference tool, **faction** means the same as circle, group, etc. **This is another play on words.** Which “extreme” was Project Megiddo referring to? The lowest or the highest? The authors wanted to give the impression that there is a high number, when in fact, if such a circle or group exists, how can we be “certain” that it is not a small circle or group of their own agent provocateurs or informants?

Second, “...the close of the millennium.” That was what Project Megiddo was supposed to be warning law enforcement and the general public about -- concerns over millennial-driven domestic terrorists -- right? The FBI admitted that it had no current intelligence that The Nation of Yahweh was encouraging or preparing for any type of violence as the world began year 2000. Project Megiddo concluded that among Hebrew Israelites, “...**there are no indications of explicitly identified targets for violence...**” and “...**no**

specific indications of imminent violence toward the government” (page 25).

There was no indication that The Nation of Yahweh had a particular concern with the approach of the new millennium either. **The Nation of Yahweh makes no secret of its teachings.** We produce an award-winning weekly television program and send our publications to heads of federal and state governments. Not any of our beliefs, tenets, teachings, or representations place a special significance on the year 2000, save for the articles offering assistance to our followers and worshipers on how to prepare, individually, for the possibility of a Y2K crisis or natural catastrophe that some computer experts were predicting. In fact, with little difficulty, the FBI could have discovered (although it should have already known) that **The Nation of Yahweh celebrated its new millennium over two years ago at the ushering in of the year 6000 under the solar calendar.**²⁰

The FBI attempted to offer further proof that the “Black Hebrew Israelites” should be feared:

D. “Some BHI followers have been observed in public donning primarily black clothing, with emblems and/or patches bearing the ‘Star of David’ symbol. Some BHI members practice paramilitary operations and wear web

²⁰ See: Shabbath Home Study Guide, (Texas: PEES Productions, 1999), pp. 2-3. See also: “World’s 6000th Birthday Wednesday,” UPI News, October 23, 1996.

belts and shoulder holsters.” (page 23)

The group described above is called the “Stream of Knowledge” who has no association with The Nation of Yahweh.²¹ We are **known and identified by our distinctive “white garments” and “diadems”** (head coverings); and even more **unique, the wearing of Tetragrammaton (יהוה)** necklaces.

We do not pose a “physical” threat to anyone at the millennium nor at any other time. We are interested in destroying the proliferation of lies about Yahweh Ben Yahweh and The Nation of Yahweh.

Yahweh Ben Yahweh teaches His followers not to carry weapons. In 1990, when the government arrested Yahweh Ben Yahweh and 17 others in a seven-state wide raid, not a single weapon was found: not a gun, not a knife, not a razor blade, not a rock, not a slingshot...NOTHING.

We would be foolish to fight “physically” against the most powerful, armed country in the world. We put all our trust and faith in יהוה (Yahweh) and we do not need any weapon – formed by the hands of man – to fight for TRUTH: THE WORD OF יהוה.

Authors of the FBI report employed subtle, specious statements to

²¹ See: Fall 1997 edition of the Southern Poverty Law Center’s Intelligence Report, “Rough Waters: Stream of Knowledge Probed by Officials.”

persuade the public to conclude that we are a violent people. Such a conclusion is a **baseless extrapolation** that could just as easily apply as follows:

1. One Canadian immigrant from Algeria was caught crossing into the United States carrying explosives; that immigrant is a suspected terrorist; therefore all Canadian immigrants are suspected terrorists.
2. The Israeli military trains its soldiers to be killers; some Israeli soldiers, acting on their own, murdered 50 Palestinians; therefore all Israeli soldiers will murder Palestinians.

When such illogical conclusions are drawn, the result is that those in power can come and arrest others of us on more distorted facts, lies, and contrived schemes without outcry from the community.

The Ridicule and Discredit Tactic

The next set of words used against The Nation of Yahweh was offered to ridicule and discredit the significance of the teachings of Yahweh Ben Yahweh and our beliefs. If the belief system can be made to look ridiculous, then the readers might more readily accept the previous fear tactics. Consider the following from the Project Megiddo report:

- A. *“...condemning whites as incarnate manifestations of evil.”* (page 23)

We do not condemn “whites” as incarnate manifestations of evil. “White” people do not have the patent on evil. Evil has no color barrier: Evil is found in all colors and sexes. This is what Yahweh Ben Yahweh teaches and has always taught. **This was used to persuade “white” people to believe the FBI report.** By casting racial hatred against us, they hoped to divert from the real issue. The FBI is the one distorting the truth and is using sensitive words to cause racial hatred against The Nation of Yahweh and its founder, Yahweh Ben Yahweh.

We believe in the Holy Bible (KJV), and Matthew 10:36 describes where our greatest foes are:

“And a man’s foes shall be they of his own household.”

This is a fact, because all of our former accusers were people who look like us and who were once within our own Nation. This was another scheme, trick, and plan to convince law enforcement or the public with “word warfare” to believe their distorted facts. We do not believe that all “whites” are evil, nor in the inevitability of a race war between “whites” and “blacks.” In fact, the Bible tells us that the Gentiles will receive and glorify Yahweh. Webster’s Ninth New Collegiate Dictionary, copyright 1989, page 511, defines **Gentile** as “a Christian as distinguished from a [Hebrew]; a heathen.” On page 560 of that same dictionary, the word **heathen** is defined as “an unconverted member

of a people or nation that does not acknowledge the God of the Bible.” The name of the God of the Bible is יהוה (Yahweh), the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob (Israel). We have followed the Scriptures, have turned to the Gentiles, and are waiting to welcome them -- regardless of race -- into one fold.

Read Acts 13:46-48:

“Then Paul and Barnabas waxed bold, and said, It was necessary that the word of יהוה should first have been spoken to you [the children of Israel]: but seeing ye put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, lo, we turn to the Gentiles.

For so hath יהוה commanded us, saying, I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth.

And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of יהוה: and as many as were ordained to eternal life believed.”

Let us consider another statement from the FBI report. Those who have a controversy with us -- the Anti-Defamation League and the Southern Poverty Law Center -- loathe us for and take particular opposition to the following sincerely held and documented belief:

B. “...such groups hold that blacks represent God’s true ‘chosen people,’...As God’s ‘authentic’ Jews, BHI adherents believe mainstream Jews are actually imposters.” (page 23)

The report calls us “God’s authentic Jews,” and the others are referred to as “mainstream” Jews. Mainstream Jews?

In the Synonym Finder by J. I. Rodale, copyright 1978, on page 81, some synonyms for **authentic** are genuine, sure-enough, the real McCoy, bona fide, legitimate, rightful, lawful, legal, valid, verified, confirmed, attested, vouched for, warranted, certified, guaranteed, and orthodox.

In the Cambridge International Dictionary of English, copyright 1995, on page 854, **mainstream** means “the way of life or set of beliefs accepted by most people.” *Mainstream Jews are those whose way of life or set of beliefs are accepted by most people.*

These definitions and connotations show that you have the genuine, sure-enough, *real McCoy [Hebrews]*, and yet the mainstream Jews’ way of life or set of beliefs are accepted by most people. Although the bona fide, legitimate, rightful, *lawful and legal [Hebrews]* exist, most people accept the mainstream Jews. The mainstream Jews are the ones people most accept despite the fact that the [Hebrews] are valid, verified, confirmed, attested, vouched for, and warranted. The authentic [Hebrew Israelites] are certified, guaranteed, and orthodox, but yet, the mainstream Jews are accepted by most people.

It is their (the mainstream Jews’) way of life and set of beliefs that are accepted politically, educationally, economically and socially. It is their way of life and set of beliefs that are accepted by the masses, **because it is they**

who have ready access to and/or control over the publishing and entertainment industries, the educational and judicial systems, and all other businesses and professions of this world.

The Nation of Yahweh is not seeking acceptance by most people, we only seek acceptance from our God, יהוה. Our way of life and set of beliefs are based upon His Word, as found in the Holy Bible.

Furthermore, we believe the Holy Bible: Revelation 2:9, which states in part:

“...I know the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but are the synagogue of Satan.”

The descendants of Abraham are Hebrews (Genesis 14:13). As his descendants, we do not call, nor have we ever called, ourselves Jews.

The descendants of Abraham have existed since creation. It was prophesied that Abraham’s descendants would be brought “with ships” (Deuteronomy 28:68) to a strange land and would serve as slaves 400 years, according to Genesis 15:13 (and Acts 7:6):

“And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land that is not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years”;

Abraham’s descendants were rooted out of their land, as it is this day,

according to Deuteronomy 29:28:

“And יהוה rooted them out of their land in anger, and in wrath, and in great indignation, and cast them into another land, **as it is this day.**”

There are too many Scriptures to list in this article that substantiate who the “chosen” people of the Bible are. The Bible makes it clear that there is a nation of people who will be raised above all other nations, as recorded in Deuteronomy 28:1:

“And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of יהוה thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that יהוה thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth”:

To be set *above* all nations suggests that the chosen people are below all nations. This can not be talking about the mainstream Jews, because they are already sitting in the highest seats among all nations. This Scripture is speaking about the “authentic” [Hebrews]. We do not apologize for TRUTH.

The following statement is but another attempt from the Project Megiddo report to justify their attempt to ridicule Hebrew Israelite beliefs:

C. “Neither the Israeli government nor the Orthodox rabbinate recognize the legitimacy of BHI claims to Judaism.” (page 24)

The Nation of Yahweh does not lay claim to Judaism, but rather to the heritage and birthright stemming from our father, Abraham. We are the

spiritually dead lost sheep of the house of Israel. More specifically, *we are the tribe of Judah (Yehuwdah)*, referred to as the so-called “blacks” of America.

Whether recognized or not, the TRUTH is we so-called “blacks,” forced into slavery and brought to America over four hundred years ago, are the descendants of Abraham. The Nation of Yahweh does not seek, nor have we ever sought, recognition, acceptance, or approval from the Israeli government nor the Orthodox rabbinate; furthermore, we do not, nor have we ever associated ourselves with Judaism. Suggesting that one segment’s “claims are not recognized” is a contemptuous avoidance of this TRUTH.

The Intimidation Tactic

A hate crime has been perpetrated against The Nation of Yahweh. We were intentionally selected for Project Megiddo because of our *perceived race as an intimidation tactic*. Remember, **intimidation** means “to make timid; make afraid, daunt, or to force or deter with threats or violence.”

To fulfill this stratagem, the authors of Project Megiddo called us domestic terrorists and labeled us as “Black” Hebrew Israelites. Both terms were used to make us afraid and to deter us -- and others -- from believing the teachings of Yahweh Ben Yahweh, from accepting the truth about our heritage, and from freely exercising our faith.

Adherents to the teachings of Yahweh Ben Yahweh are not terrorists.

Do you really know what the word terrorist means? The word **terror**, the root of terrorist, in the Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary, copyright 1975, on page 1204, means "a state of intense fear, one that *inspires* fear, or a cause of anxiety." They -- the FBI -- by definition are the domestic terrorists. They have the power, resources, and personnel to create a state of intense fear throughout America. We just witnessed the mayhem which was inspired by the release of the Project Megiddo report predicting possible domestic terrorism at the close of the millennium. This end of the age prediction was responsible for a great deal of the anxiety that paralyzed the entire country.

The Project Megiddo report is also another apt example of how they can be a cause of anxiety. In verbal warfare, to effect terror on your opponent, you evoke a "buzz-word" that intimidates that opponent, and if you are lucky, that distracts that opponent away from the battle while trying to fend off attacks from other forces.

Knowing that their vague words of war were not forever impervious, the authors of Project Megiddo elected to use their next intimidation tactic: labeling The Nation of Yahweh as a "Black" Hebrew Israelite group. By doing this, they hoped to invoke hatred and racial discord: to make us fearful, frightened, and anxious of others whose ideology is to hate "blacks," to seek the destruction of "blacks," and to act out physical violence upon "blacks."

In a culture where race is unimportant, the “black” label would be trivial, but in the context of late twentieth and early twenty-first century America, race is not inconsequential. Racist sentiments still linger today. Because of this fact, calculated labels such as “black” are a strong supportive argument for the passage of hate crime legislation.

“Hate crimes are unique. Victims of hate crimes are targeted because of a core characteristic of their identity. These attributes cannot be changed. Victims often feel degraded, frightened, vulnerable and suspicious. This may be one of the most traumatic experiences of the [sic] lives. Community members who share with victims the characteristics that made them targets of hate (race, religion, ethnic/national origin, gender, age, disability or sexual orientation) may also feel vulnerable, fearful and powerless.”²²

The following discussion explains the **psychological terrorism** and **social ramifications** for utilizing a racial label as an intimidation tactic:

- a. The Nation of Yahweh is a Hebrew Israelite people and faith. According to the Holy Bible, our patriarchal father, Abraham, was a Hebrew (Genesis 14:13). Therefore, as the children and descendants of Abraham, we, too, are Hebrews.

As used in the FBI report, the term and label “black” is **pejorative**, and devoid of any positive connotations to

²² “What Is a Hate Crime,” The International Association of Chiefs of Police-Responding to Hate Crimes (www.theiacp.org/pubinfo/pubs/hatecrime.htm).

uplift or instill pride, joy, hope, and self-esteem in a people that were cut-off from their history, culture, language, name, land, and God.

The term and label “black” preceding “Hebrew” is a device. **A device is “a word pattern or combination of words used to evoke and arouse a desired effect and reaction in the reader.”**²³ The term and label “black” is such a device, and a sweeping generalization used to engender hatred, violence, death, and destruction upon the people so labeled.

The Holy Bible does not label our father, Abraham, a “black Hebrew,” and we do not label ourselves as “black Hebrews.” To be labeled a “black” Hebrew Israelite is an attack against our Holy Hebrew Bible, the basis of our faith and our religious foundation. **This is an affront** against Abraham and his descendants. For Yahweh promised to bless them that bless us as Hebrew Israelites, and to curse them that curse us as Hebrew Israelites; and in us shall all families of the earth be blessed (Genesis 12:3).

The terminology, “black Hebrew Israelite,” suggests that there is such a person as a “white Hebrew Israelite” when no biblical reference for either exists. The Bible does not use such labels for Abraham or Moses. It is a white supremacist position to use such a label as “black Hebrew Israelite.”

Those that have labeled us “black” are descendants of the Europeans who chose to portray God as “white” while the Bible describes Him as having wooly hair, hazel eyes, and feet like burned brass: certainly not “white” (Revelation 1:13-15). These false paintings have been projected as the truth all over the world. Those who have presented these paintings as the truth have hurled negative assaults at us --

²³ Random House Webster's College Dictionary, 2nd ed. (New York: Random House, Incorporated, 1997), p. 361.

using the label “black”-- for exposing their lies.

Read how the dictionaries, thesauruses, and synonym finders define and portray usage of the word “black”:

Webster’s states:

“black \’blak\ adj. **1. a:** of the color black **b:** very dark **2. a:** having dark skin, hair, and eyes: SWARTHY **b:** of or relating to a group or race characterized by dark pigmentation; esp: NEGROID **3.:** dressed in black **4.:** SOILED, DIRTY **5. a:** characterized by the absence of light <a black night> **b:** reflecting or transmitting little or no light <black water> **6. a:** thoroughly evil: WICKED <a black deed> **b:** expressive of condemnation or discredit **7:** invoking the supernatural and esp. the devil **8. a:** GLOOMY, CALAMITOUS; specif: marked by the occurrence of disaster **b:** SULLEN, HOSTILE **9:** COMPLETE, UTTER” ²⁴

Connotations, allusions, and indicators from Bartlett’s Roget’s Thesaurus for variations of “black” are:

Cast aspersion, be aspersive – a racial aspersion such as dirty, sullen, blackball, black-hearted, blackguard, blackface or blacken. Labeling a thing or person “black” defames, slanders, libels, discredits, and is a disparage, it deprecates, depreciates, and denigrates. Being called “black” is a personal attack, an insult, a criticism and an attempt to vilify, abuse, and speak ill of; as well as, is used to ridicule, scorn, and mock. The label “black” implies derision, and is derisive. The label “black” causes feelings of shame and inferiority.²⁵

Among the synonyms for the term “black,” and some of the

²⁴ Webster’s Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary, (Cambridge: H.O. Houghton & Company, 1963), p. 87.

²⁵ Bartlett’s Roget’s Thesaurus, (Boston: Little, Brown & Company, 1996), pp. 809-10.

variations of “black” listed above are:

Black – dark, swarthy, nigrescent, dirty, unclean, besmirched, shady, gloomy, sullen, desolate, threatening, menacing, sinister, harmful, evil, wicked, base, diabolic, disgraceful, shameful, loathsome, criminal, corrupt, and depraved.

Blackball – rejection, disapproval, exclusion, ostracism, refuse to associate with and shun.

Blacken – obscure, slander, impute, revile, malign, falsify, badmouth, taint or heap dirt upon.

Blackguard – scoundrel, rascal, rogue, devil, stinker, louse, and bastard.

Blacklist – denouncement, condemnation, list of suspects or outcasts, spurn, prohibit, taboo, disown, discard, outlaw, disenfranchise, or oust.

Blackmail – ransom, tribute, bribe, extortion, exaction, skin game, shake down, obtain by force, and compel.

Black sheep – outcast, pariah, apostate, renegade, idler, or good-for-nothing and loser.²⁶

- b. Being labeled a “black” Hebrew Israelite is personally offensive. **It is an offense to our dignity and self-respect.** Labeling us as “black” confuses our children and makes them ashamed. It is a show of disrespect for the truth and for our faith. **It is also like a verbal strike in the face.** **Anyone who labels us “black Hebrews” is a deceiver and perpetrator of an evil, sinful, monstrous, detestable, unlawful hate crime,** which sets the stage for

²⁶ Urdang and Laroche, eds., The Synonym Finder, J. I. Rodale Warner Books Edition, (New York: Rodale Press, Incorporated, 1978), p. 117.

the genocide of a whole nation and a whole religion.

All Hebrew Israelites, followers of Yahweh, were not only labeled “black,” but were also charged as a whole nation and a whole religion as racketeers. As a result, all Hebrew Israelites, followers of Yahweh, rightfully feel a sense of fear, alarm, anguish, anxiety, dread, and terror by being labeled “black.” These are typical emotions felt by victims of hate crimes.

Thus, those who label us as “black” are not only anti-Hebrew Israelite, but are also, **psychological terrorists**, which is immoral, unlawful, revolting, menacing, and an ungodly, sacrilegious act: **a most heinous hate crime** against all members of the religious faith of Abraham, The Nation of Yahweh, and those labeled “black” Hebrew Israelites, followers of Yahweh.

A detailed expose’ of what the term and label “black” means provides a deeper understanding of why using such a label is considered a barbarous, mean spirited act and a hate crime.

The previously listed less than complimentary definitions, connotations, allusions, indicators and synonyms are why the leaders of the people who are labeled “black” have rejected and disassociated with that term and accept and support the use of other labels such as African-American.

Even Congress, in investigating why response from disaster relief was so poor after Hurricane Andrew in 1992, referred to the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s (FEMA’s) covert actions as “black operations” and the agency’s cloak of secrecy as a “black curtain.” ²⁷

Use of such a pejorative label causes all nations to hate

²⁷ Harry V. Martin, "FEMA - The Secret Government," (Free America 1995), p. 4.

people of that pigmentation. Those who have labeled us "black" exhibit the feelings that all so-called "black" people are criminals, thieves, rapists, robbers, mean, low-spirited, and liars.

Recognizing that the term "black" is also used to label fowl and animals of the earth, one can clearly see that those so inclined will have the impression that we are nothing more than animals, which have, can, and will justify - in their minds - horrific, despicable hate crimes committed against us.

Even America's own founding fathers easily compromised and counted "black" slaves as three-fifths of a man.²⁸

So-called "blacks" in America are targeted as the first group to be rounded-up and detained without trial in civilian internment camps should civil unrest ever break out at once in large metropolitan areas. Does labeling a people "black" help justify such actions?

Labeling the Hebrew Israelites as "black" shows hatred for, fear against, and violence toward those so labeled, and has encouraged racially motivated hate crimes against and harassment of "black" Hebrew Israelites.²⁹

Our cause is brought before the world community who has a deep love and respect for Abraham, the Hebrew, and his Hebrew descendants, Isaac, Jacob (Israel), and his 12 sons, the tribes of Israel - which includes Judah (Yehuwdah), the so-called "blacks" of America, who are, in fact, Hebrew Israelites and descendants of Abraham (Genesis 15:13-14).

Calling us "black" Hebrew Israelites is a "buzz-word" intimidation tactic.

²⁸ Oliver Ellsworth Writings and Biography, (www.lexrex.com/bios/oellsworth.htm).

²⁹ See: "Black Israelites Claim NYC's Harassment Has Silenced Group," The Freedom Forum Online (www.freedomform.org/speech/1998/12/11blackisraelits.asp).

WHO WROTE PROJECT MEGIDDO?

Concern over who may have actually written the Project Megiddo report could soon become the topic of congressional hearings. A coalition of 32 conservative groups has asked Congress to **investigate the investigators** and to determine "Whether the [FBI] report was written 'by outside Left-wing extremist advocacy groups such as the Southern Poverty Law Center or the Anti-Defamation League.'" ³⁰

Take note of the following observation which may be of assistance to any committee assigned the task of determining whether the authors of and contributors to the report were too closely associated, or were, in fact, one and the same. Project Megiddo is alleged to have taken nine (9) months to compile.³¹ Rather than using that time to conduct **its own** investigation, the FBI relied on biased information gathered by the Anti-Defamation League and the Southern Poverty Law Center. Proof of this fact is readily seen in the comparison of suspiciously similar paraphrases from a 1991 Anti-Defamation League's Research Report³² and from a 1997 Southern Poverty Law Center's

³⁰ See Dave Boyer. "Conservatives Want Probe of FBI Terrorism Report," The Washington Times, November 19, 1999.

³¹ David Vise and Lorraine Adams. "FBI Warns '2000' May Spark Violence," The Washington Post, October 31, 1999.

³² ADL Research Report : "The Yahwehs: Violence and Anti-Semitism in a 'Black Hebrew' Sect."

Intelligence Report (cited in the report).³³ Read the following examples of how the “black” Hebrew Israelites are described in each report:

Project Megiddo:

“Such beliefs bear a **striking resemblance** to the Christian Identity theology practiced by many white supremacists.” (page 23)

ADL 1991 Report:

“...is **striking similar** to the theme of white right-wing extremists in the racist and anti-Semitic ‘Identity Church’ movement.”

1997 SPLC Report:

“In many ways, Black Hebrew Israelite beliefs are a **mirror image** of the white supremacist Christian Identity religion.”

If the above paraphrased statements do not answer the question, then this next observation should help: Neil Herman recently retired from the FBI -- where he was in charge of that agency’s counterterrorism office -- to head the Anti-Defamation League’s fact finding division.³⁴ Doesn’t this appear to be a conflict of interest? Could this be a reason why a congressional hearing may

³³ Fall 1997 edition of the Southern Poverty Law Center’s Intelligence Report, “Rough Waters: Stream of Knowledge Probed by Officials.”

³⁴ “FBI/ADL’s Project Megiddo, Attacks on Pat Buchanan Revive Memory of Great Sedition Trial,” The Spotlight, December 6, 1999.

be necessary?

Concern over who may have authored the FBI report suggests that conservative as well as liberal Americans are appalled that two organizations -- the Anti-Defamation League and the Southern Poverty Law Center -- have the power to feed the FBI the results of their own **biased intelligence gathering** against any individual or group that presents a different political, social, or religious agenda. Only the “mainstream Jews” have this kind of power. Isn’t this the type of targeting that those sponsoring the Hate Crimes Prevention Act of 1999 ³⁵ want to prevent?

Remember, victims of hate crimes are selected because of their actual or perceived race, color, religion, national origin, ethnicity, gender, or sexual orientation....”³⁶

These very same characteristics make victims reluctant to report a hate crime. This reluctance must increase exponentially when the perpetrators are permitted to use “the FBI” to carry out their abominable acts.

Are these two organizations demonstrating that they have persuasive power and can control agencies of the U.S. government? Do they have the power to convince the government who it should make “strategic assessments”

³⁵ H.R. 1082, March 11, 1999.

³⁶ Section 280003(a) Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act 1994 (28 U.S.C. 994).

about and against? Does their accessibility to our executive branch of government make these organizations our non-elected representatives or our new quasi-government departments?

These two organizations take pugnacious issue with the beliefs of The Nation of Yahweh. **These same two organizations were used as sources in or could have actually written the official government document in question, without informing the readers that this dispute exists.** If these facts do not cast a new light on the report's credibility, it should.

The FBI's only public response to the national criticism and clamor about Project Megiddo's reliability and relevance was issued on January 5, 2000, by its spokesman, John Collingwood, who stated, "...it [Project Megiddo] was not intended to target any individual or group or 'besmirch' anyone's reputation."³⁷ We strongly disagree. This article has produced hard syntactic evidence to show that from the very beginning, the writers of the Project Megiddo report set out to "besmirch" and discredit Yahweh Ben Yahweh and The Nation of Yahweh.

³⁷ "Christian Right Groups Protest FBI's Warning on Extremists," The Washington Post, January 6, 2000.

CONCLUSION

Project Megiddo has fired its linguistic guns at The Nation of Yahweh without cause or provocation. The war being waged against The Nation of Yahweh is designed to hide its sources' aversions for our belief system while casting aspersions against our founder and faith. Those sources and the FBI want to: make our founder and spiritual leader appear to be a terrorist; to make any one interested in learning more about The Nation of Yahweh hesitant about making an approach; and to make us victims of those who hate because of apparent or perceived differences in race, religion, or national origin.

This initial barrage cannot go unanswered. This is why a lawsuit seeking **12 trillion dollars in damages** has been filed against the Anti-Defamation League and the Southern Poverty Law Center for such contemptible and genocidal acts described in this article.

We encourage you to examine the facts we have submitted in this article, and see for yourself that the vile **warlike strategies** employed against The Nation of Yahweh in Project Megiddo are **unwarranted** and **unprecedented!**

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U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

600 Dr. MLK Jr. Place, Room 500
Louisville, KY 40202

March 6, 2003

Mr. Joe Roy
Director of the Intelligence Project
Southern Poverty Law Center
Post Office Box 548
Montgomery, Alabama 36104-0548

Dear Mr. Roy:

This letter serves as a request to include Special Agent (SA) [redacted] to your mailing list for the Southern Poverty Law Center's Intelligence Report. Please send the periodical to SA [redacted] attention at 600 MLK Jr. Place, Room 500, Louisville, Kentucky 40202. Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.

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Sincerely,

J. Stephen Tidwell
Special Agent in Charge

By:

[redacted]
Supervisory Special Agent

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Terror cases up, Law Center says

By Malcomb Daniels
MONTGOMERY ADVERTISER

The number of domestic terrorism cases being investigated by the FBI has grown dramatically since the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing, the Montgomery-based Southern Poverty Law Center reported Wednesday.

Shortly before the April 19, 1995, bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah building, the FBI was investigating about 100 cases of domestic terrorism, SPLC officials said.

Now, the FBI is investigating more than 900 cases of domestic terrorism, which are being carried out by anti-government forces, according to the report.

Ron Van Vracken, a FBI spokesman in Washington, D.C., on Wednesday called the Southern Poverty Law Center's numbers "conservative."

"There are at least 900 cases," he said. Van Vracken said he could not disclose the exact number.

"We are able to say that since the Oklahoma City bombing, there has been an increase in domestic terrorism cases opened by the FBI," he said.

Officials with the Southern Poverty Law Center said the number of cases is continuing to grow.

"As we approach the anniversary of the Oklahoma City bombing, we need to remember not just the lives that have been lost, but that extremist and race-based ter-

■ **Total:** The Southern Poverty Law Center reported the FBI is investigating more than 900 cases of domestic terrorism

rorism is on the rise," said Morris Dees, co-founder of the Southern Poverty Law Center, which has been tracking hate groups since 1981. "Only luck and hard work by the authorities have prevented another Oklahoma City-type incident."

Authorities said 168 people died in the Oklahoma City bombing.

Van Vracken said that one of the reasons there has been an increase in investigations of domestic ter-

rorism at the FBI is because more people began to report suspicious activity after the bombing.

"There's a heightened awareness of potential threats in terrorism throughout law enforcement," he said.

Mark Potok, Southern Poverty Law Center spokesman, said there have been cases of plots to blow up buildings with thousands of people since the Oklahoma City bombing.

There have been at least two

plots to blow up the Southern Poverty Law Center in Montgomery, Potok said.

"There has been a major terrorist conspiracy or crime just about every month since Oklahoma City," Potok said. "Almost all of the conspiracies could have produced destruction with the magnitude of Oklahoma City."

"We've been fortunate that in the last three years, almost every plot has been stopped by law enforcement," he said. "If not for that, we could have been looking at deaths in the thousands."

Officials with the Southern Poverty Law Center said the rise in domestic terrorism "is being fueled by racist religions, new propaganda forums such as the Internet and the approach of the year 2000."

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Precedence: PRIORITY

Date: 05/18/1998

To: National Security
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San Diego

Attn: Domestic Terrorism
Attn: [redacted]

From: Mobile

Montgomery RA
Contact: SA [redacted]

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Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted]

Case ID #: [redacted]

Title: [redacted]

Potential Threatening Information

Synopsis: To report information received from the Southern Poverty Law Center.

Details: For information of receiving offices, on 5/18/98, [redacted] Southern Poverty Law Center, Montgomery, Alabama alerted SA [redacted] at the Montgomery FBIRA to the most recent message on the telephone hotline of [redacted] California. On the hotline, [redacted]

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[redacted] changes the message on his hotline weekly, [redacted]

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This information is being provided for whatever action is deemed appropriate. No further action will be taken at Montgomery, Alabama.

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[redacted] date of birth [redacted] social security account number [redacted] was contacted at his residence, [redacted] Ohio [redacted] telephone number [redacted]. After being advised of the identities of the Agents and the purpose of the interview, [redacted] provided the following information:

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[redacted] (name not obtained) address was [redacted] Ohio [redacted]

[redacted] COUNTY SHERIFF's OFFICE, [redacted] County, Ohio. [redacted]

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When asked to clarify his involvement in [redacted]

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[redacted] Ohio.

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[redacted] no longer participated in white supremacy
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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 03/13/2002

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Attn: SAC Michael E. Varnum

SSRA [redacted]

SA [redacted]

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From: Norfolk

Squad 7/Peninsula RA

Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: Varnum Michael E. *NE 3/14/02*

[redacted] *SK*

Drafted By:

[redacted] *pcm*

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66F-NF-A30831-79 (Pen Register # _____)

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Title:

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ET AL;

AOT-DT-WEAPONS VIOLATIONS

Synopsis: To request SAC approval for initiation of a Pen Register, and to document the basis for the statements to be made in the application for a pen register to be placed on telephone number [redacted] subscribed to by [redacted]

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Details: It has been revealed through previous pen register installations and source information that captioned subjects, ET AL, have [redacted]

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[redacted] This pen register will hopefully
identify additional subjects engaged in these and other criminal
acts.

The primary statutory citation, Title 18, U.S.C.,
Sections 922 and 924, and 1958 (Use of Interstate Commerce
Facilities in the commission of murder for hire) are applicable
to the above criminal violations.

Based upon SAC approval, a written application for a
pen register described above will be made to Assistant United
States Attorney [redacted] Eastern District of
Virginia.

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Date of transcription 05/22/2008

[redacted]
[redacted] Parol Officers for the Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC), made a surprise parole visit at the residence of [redacted] Illinois, where [redacted] resides with [redacted] provided the following information telephonically, after already knowing the identity of the interviewing agent:

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[redacted] stated that [redacted] was not home at the time of the parole visit. [redacted] stated that [redacted] allowed [redacted] into the residence, and allowed [redacted] into [redacted] room to confirm that his belongings were in the room. [redacted] advised that [redacted] was working for [redacted] and was at work at the time of the parole visit.

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[redacted] made the following observations inside of [redacted] room:

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[redacted] stated that [redacted] also had a piece of paper with handwriting that stated:

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[redacted]
438 North Skinker Avenue, St. Louis Mo

1573 N Milwaukee #486 Anti-Racist Action

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Investigation on 05/22/2008 at [redacted] Illinois (telephonically)

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by SA [redacted]

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400 Washington Avenue
Montgomery, AL 36104
(unquote)

The back of the paper also had the following writing:

(quote)

Sons of Confederate Veterans
Civil War Re-enactors

Federation for American Immigration Reform

Pioneer Fund

(unquote)

Based on open source telephone databases, the Anti-Racist Action is a network of para-militant anti-racists/fascists who vehemently oppose neo-Nazism. Their Chicago headquarters is located at 1573 North Milwaukee Avenue #486, Chicago, Illinois 60622. The Southern Poverty Law Center also opposes all hate groups, particularly white supremacists. The address for the Southern Poverty Law Center is 400 Washington Avenue, Montgomery, Alabama, listed as J. Cohen President - Southern Poverty Law Center. [REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois is listed to [REDACTED] 438 North Skinker Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri is listed to Peace Economy Project.

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 03/22/2001

To: Counterterrorism
Washington Field

Attn: SSA [redacted]
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From: Washington Field
NS-13 JTTF
Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

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Title: [redacted]

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OO: WF

Synopsis: Documentation of Southern Poverty Law Center
information on [redacted] at [redacted]

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Details: On 03/22/2001, JTTF received an e-mail which was
forwarded from the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC).

The email originated from [redacted]

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The author of the email is [redacted]

The email confirms source information obtained at WFO,
related to [redacted] which will be held at [redacted]
on [redacted]

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JTTF has notified appropriate law enforcement agencies
regarding the above [redacted] (MPD, USSS, DOSDS, USPP)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 07/14/1999

To: Mobile

From: Mobile

Squad # 5

Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

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Drafted By: [redacted]

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Case ID #: 279C-MO-C39901 SF 6 (Pending)

Title: Possible WMD Threat;
Southern Poverty Law Center,
Montgomery, Alabama;
7/6/99

Synopsis: Summary of Mobile Division's Response to captioned matter.

Details: On 7/6/99 the Mobile Division (Montgomery RA) received a telephone call from [redacted] Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC), 400 Washington Avenue, Montgomery, AL, Tel # [redacted] (Cellular # [redacted]) regarding a possible biological device sent to them via U.S. Mail.

[redacted] advised that on the morning of 7/6/99 the SPLC had received an 8 1/2 inch X 11 inch brown manilla envelope, which was wet along the entire bottom portion of the envelope, approximately 2-2 1/2" wide. It was sent with a "priority mail" sticker via U.S. Postal Service. The entire envelope was inside a clear plastic bag which was knotted at the top. He indicated that there was no pooling of liquid inside the bag. He was concerned that there might be some kind of biological material inside the envelope which might have broken.

The envelope was received from the post office already inside the clear plastic bag. The return address was listed as follows:



[redacted] advised that he had scanned the envelope with a fluoroscope which the SPLC regularly does with all incoming

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To: Mobile From: Mobile
Re: 279C-MO-C39901 SF 6, 07/14/1999

letters and packages. He stated that the fluoroscope showed that there were no explosive devices or components inside the envelope. It only showed what appeared to be a video tape.

The envelope (inside the clear plastic bag) was put outside their front entrance guard house so that the sun shone directly on it. He indicated that there were no holes in the bag and that he did not believe anything was leaking from the bag.

[redacted] advised that their data base indicated that they had received a \$20 donation from an [redacted] who resided at the above listed address. The SPLC regularly sends a video tape showing what the SPLC does and is all about to everyone who sends them donations. They also ask them to please send the video tape back so that the SPLC can save on expenses.

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[redacted] advised that their data base also showed that [redacted] is [redacted] who also resides at this address. He is employed with [redacted]

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A telephone discussion with the Laboratory's Security Director indicated that [redacted] did not work with any type of infectious diseases and that [redacted] did not have access to any type of infectious diseases. He also indicated that he has personally known [redacted] [redacted] does not have any racial prejudices and is not the kind of person who would do such a thing.

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Telephone calls were made to both [redacted] and [redacted] concerning the mailed envelope. [redacted] advised that he had no knowledge of any video tape being mailed to the SPLC. [redacted] advised that she did mail a video tape to the SPLC. (She was returning the video tape.) She stated that she personally mailed the envelope and that the only thing inside the envelope was the video tape.

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In a separate interview with postal workers at the Montgomery Post Office which received the envelope indicated that the envelope came in to them already wet. The specific postal employee who handled the envelope was contacted. She advised that the envelope was already wet when she got it. She touched the envelope and then smelled her hands. She said that it smelled like perfume. She washed her hands and then put the envelope inside the clear plastic bag and sent it on to the SPLC.

The Montgomery Post Office was absolutely sure that the envelope was not out of their control once it was given to them by [redacted] at the [redacted] Post Office.

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Re: 279C-MO-C39901 SF 6, 07/14/1999

Because of political considerations, the WMDOU was contacted and advised of the situation. With the investigation conducted by the division to this point the following was recommended by writer:

Have a certified bomb technician, in a Level B Hazmat Suit, x-ray the envelope to insure that there were no components for an explosive device and that there were no other items inside other than the video tape. Once this was done then open the envelope to visually inspect it and then give it to the SPLC.

SAC Imfeld was briefed on this matter and concurred with writer's recommendation. He also wanted WMDOU advised of the situation and the divisions' intended course of action.

In a 7/6/99 telephone conversation with SSA [redacted] WMDOU, this was briefed and recommended by writer. SSA [redacted] concurred with this recommendation.

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The recommended actions were conducted and the envelope was shown to contain nothing more than the video tape. The items were given to [redacted] SPLC, who then disposed of it.

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FBI Mobile considers this incident complete and no further investigation will be conducted.

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/ On Wednesday, 25 March, 2009, [redacted]

[redacted] Date of Birth (DOB)

[redacted] Social Security Account Number (SSAN) [redacted]

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[redacted] Ohio, was interviewed regarding his knowledge of Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs (OMG's) and White Supremacist Groups. After being advised of the purpose of the interview and the identities of the interviewing agents [redacted] provided the following:

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Investigation on [redacted] at [redacted] Ohio

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advised that the group seeks to destroy what he termed were right wing Jewish organizations such as the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) and the Southern Poverty Law Center.



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2901 Leon C. Simon Blvd.
New Orleans, Louisiana 70126-1061
(504) 816-3000
April 10, 2001

[redacted]
Southern Poverty Law Center
400 Washington Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

Dear [redacted]

This letter is to confirm that you will be speaking at FBI Civil Rights/Hate Crimes Seminar on May 15, 2001 at the University of New Orleans Lakefront Arena, College of Engineering Auditorium. Your topic will be "Hate Crimes" and we have you tentatively speaking from 10:30 am to 11:30 am.

If you need a hotel we have been made special arrangements for you at the Hyatt Regency New Orleans, 500 Poydras Plaza, New Orleans, Louisiana, telephone number (504) 561-1234. The room rate is [redacted] If you need a room please contact Supervisory Special Agent [redacted] and we will reserve a room for you.

When you get your airline reservation please contact Agent [redacted] and we will have someone meet you at the airport and bring you to the Hyatt. That person will also pick you up from the Hyatt and bring you to the auditorium for your speaking engagement.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Agent [redacted] at telephone number [redacted] Thank you for accepting the opportunity to speak at our seminar.

Sincerely yours,

Charles Mathews III
Special Agent in Charge

By: [redacted]

Supervisory Special Agent

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The New Orleans Office of the
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and the
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
Eastern District of Louisiana
Civil Rights/Hate Crime Law Enforcement Education Seminar
May 15, 2001

Registration.....	8:45 - 9:00
Welcome and Opening Comments..... Charles Mathews, III, Special Agent in Charge	9:00 - 9:15
Overview of Hate Groups..... [redacted] Anti-Defamation League	9:15 - 10:15
Break.....	10:15 - 10:30
Hate Crimes..... [redacted] Southern Poverty Law Center	10:30 - 11:30
FBI Recruitment Program..... [redacted] Special Agent, FBI	11:30 - 11:45
Lunch.....	11:45 - 12:45
Racial Profiling..... [redacted] Major Florida Highway Patrol	12:45 - 1:45
Hate on the Internet..... [redacted] Simon Wiesenthal Center	1:45 - 3:15
FBI, Civil Rights Program..... [redacted] Supervisory Special Agent, FBIHQ	3:15 - 4:00
Conclusion..... [redacted] Supervisory Special Agent FBI, New Orleans	4:00 - 4:15

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NEW ORLEANS OFFICE OF THE
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PRESENTS

CIVIL RIGHTS/HATE CRIMES SEMINAR

May 15, 2001

Registration 8:45 AM - 9:00 AM

Seminar begins at 9:00 AM and ends at 4:15 PM

Topics Will Include:

Racial Profiling
Hate on the Internet
Hate Crimes
Color of Law Violations

Presented By:

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
NEW ORLEANS DIVISION
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

Location:

University of New Orleans Lake Front Campus
College of Engineering Auditorium
New Orleans, Louisiana 70148

Seating is limited

*To register you **MUST***

*RSVP to Supervisory Special Agent [redacted] FBI
on enclosed fax form, fax number 504/816-3307*

*Questions? Call at [redacted]
or E-mail at NEWORLEANS@FBI.GOV*

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OFFICIAL REGISTRATION FORM

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PLEASE CLEARLY PRINT OR TYPE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION, THANK YOU.

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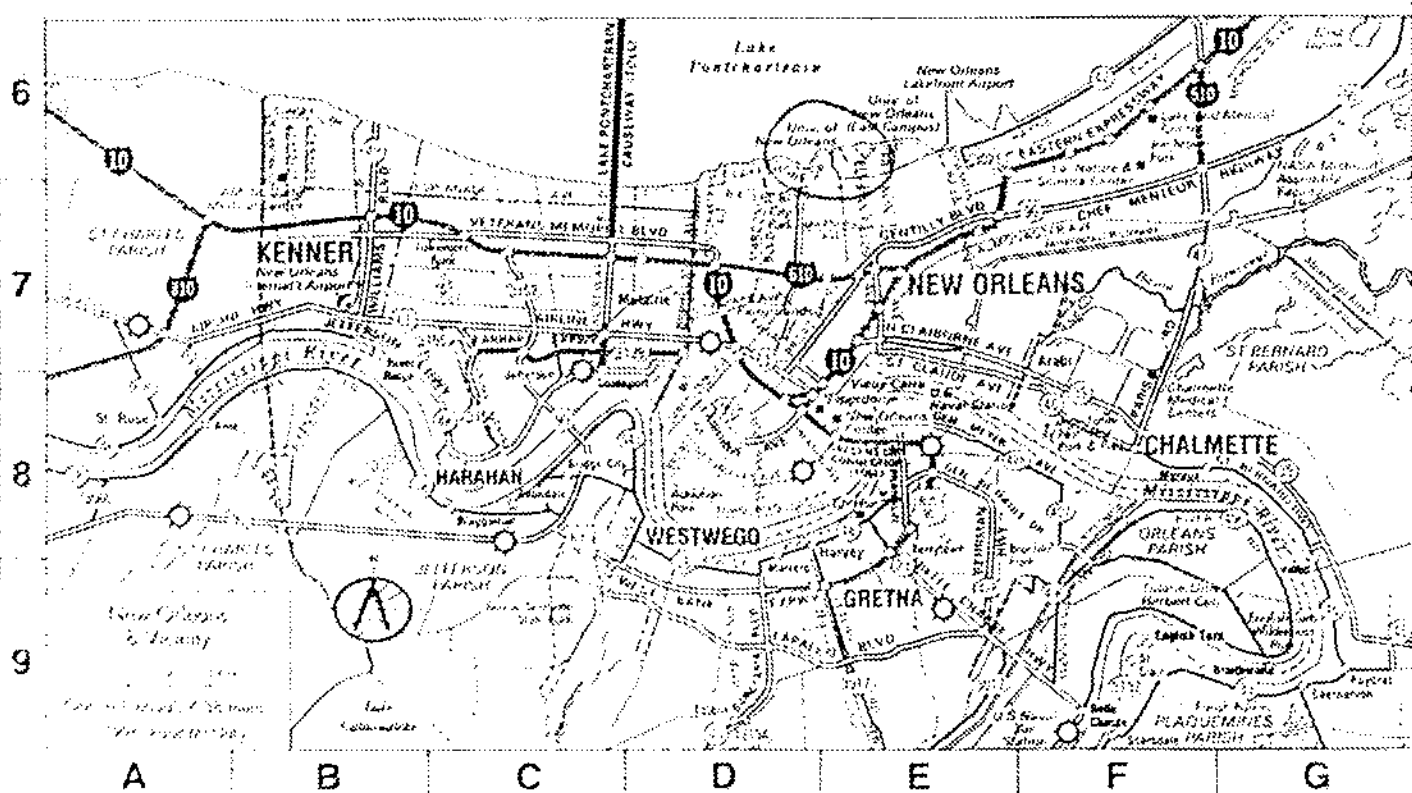
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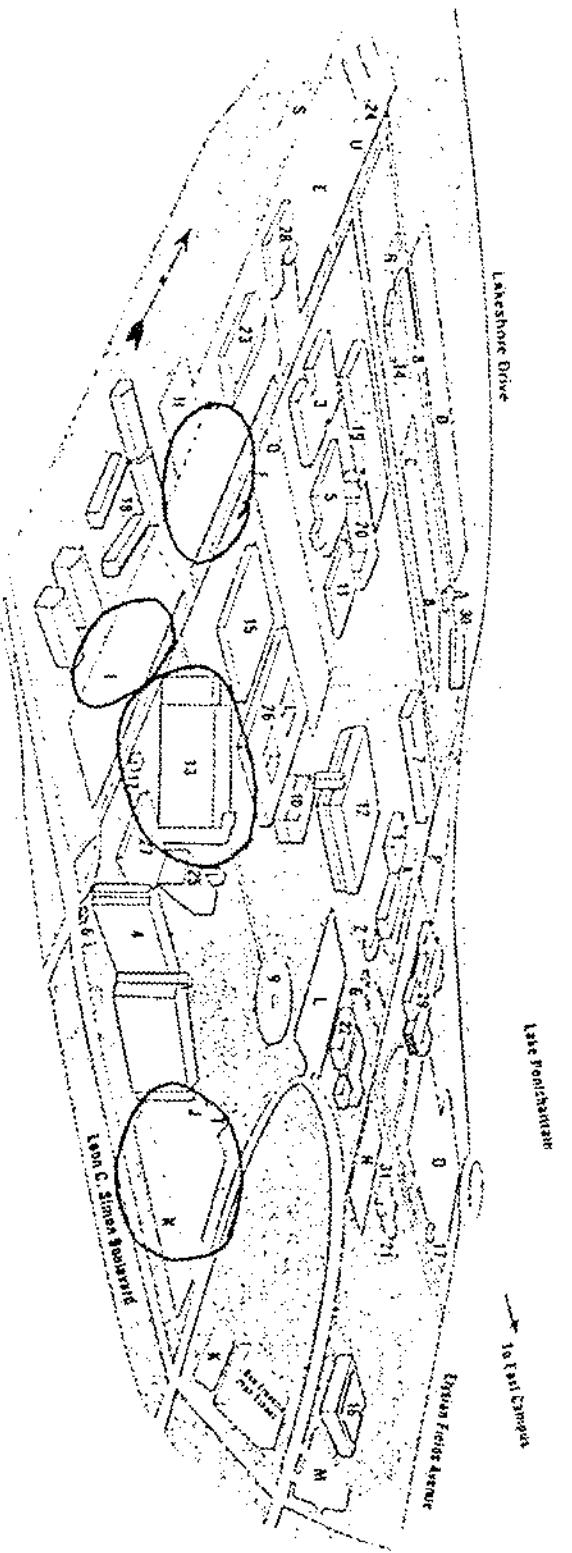
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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR QUESTIONS CALL:

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- 2 Amphitheater
- 3 Bicentennial Education Center
- 4 Bienville Hall
- 5 Biology Bldg.
- 6 Bus Stop
- 7 Business Administration Bldg.
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- 10 Chemistry Bldg.
- 11 Computer Research Center
- 12 Earl K. Long Library
- 13 Engineering Bldg.
- 14 Fine Arts Bldg.
- 15 Geology & Psychology Bldg.

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- 22 Performing Arts Center
- 23 Physical Plant Services
- 24 Privateer Place
- 25 Rehabilitation Center
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- 29 University Center
- 30 Utilities Buildings
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- J. Engineering Lot
- K. Ben Franklin Lots
- L. Library Lot
- M. HNP/E (Gym) Lot
- N. Performing Arts (PAC) Lot
- O. University Center (UC) Lot
- P. UC Pay Lot
- Q. Science Pay Lot
- R. University Police Lot
- S. North Shell Lot
- T. Engineering Shell Lot
- U. Privateer Place (PP) Lot



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In Reply, Please Refer to
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2901 Leon C. Simon Blvd.
New Orleans, Louisiana 70126-1061
(504) 816-3000
May 17, 2001

Mr. Joseph Levin
President and Chief Executive Officer
Southern Poverty Law Center
403 Washington Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

Dear Mr. Levin:

[redacted] Thank you for allowing Research Specialist, [redacted] to speak at the FBI/United States Attorneys Office Civil Rights/Hate Crimes Seminar on May 15, 2001 in New Orleans, Louisiana. The seminar was attended by over 70 local, state and federal law enforcement officers.

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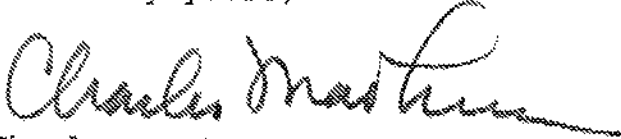
[redacted] presentation on "Hate Crimes" was very informative and professionally presented. Several participants in the seminar had high praise for her presentation.

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This office is very appreciative of [redacted] efforts in traveling to New Orleans and presenting a high quality and interesting program. Thank you again.

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Sincerely yours,


Charles Mathews III
Special Agent in Charge

cc: Ms. [redacted]

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Precedence: PRIORITY

Date: 10/10/2002

To: Counterterrorism
All Field Offices

Attn: SEMU

From: Mobile

Squad 4/Montgomery RA

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

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Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

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Case ID #: 300A-MO-43729 (~~Pending~~) 2

Title: SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER;
TEN COMMANDMENTS TRIAL;
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA;
CT PREPAREDNESS - SPECIAL EVENTS

Synopsis: To inform FBIHQ of upcoming event and to request positive threat information.

Details: The Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC) is scheduled to begin "the Ten Commandments trial" in Montgomery, Alabama, on October 15, 2002. This trial involves the display of the Ten Commandments in the Alabama Judicial Center, and is expected to bring out a diverse set of anti-abortion groups, anti-governmental groups and white supremacists.

On 10/04/2002, the SPLC conducted a law enforcement briefing. Those present at the briefing included Mobile FBI, Montgomery ATF, Montgomery PD and Alabama State Troopers. The purpose of the meeting was for the SPLC to make law enforcement aware of an increasing level of threats seen by the SPLC in source information and e-mails.

At least part of the reason for the increasing level of threats is the upcoming trial. For example, the SPLC has reported that [REDACTED] dob [REDACTED] was seen [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] As receiving offices are aware, the SPLC has conducted many high profile trials around the country against DT groups, most recently the SPLC sued the Aryan Nation in Idaho. This will be the first significant trial for the SPLC since the trial in Idaho.

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To: Counterterrorism From: Mobile
Re: 300A-MO-43729, 10/10/2002

Liaison and intelligence sharing with local, state and federal law enforcement is ongoing. Mobile requests that any logical sources of information be contacted and any threat information be provided to Mobile.

To: Counterterrorism From: Mobile
Re: 300A-MO-43729, 10/10/2002

LEAD(s) :

Set Lead 1:

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AT WASHINGTON DC

Read and clear.

Set Lead 2:

ALL RECEIVING OFFICES

All receiving offices are requested to report any threat information regarding the upcoming SPLC trial in Montgomery, Alabama to Mobile. Only positive information needs to be reported.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

St. Louis

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 07/14/2000

To: Counterterrorism

Attn: [REDACTED]

✓ All Field Offices

Attn: ADIC/SAC/DT Supervisor

From: Milwaukee

Squad 8

Contact: IRS [REDACTED]

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Drafted By: [REDACTED]

SL lead 17a covered 11/17/00 by 3SSD
Case ID #: [REDACTED] (Pending) [REDACTED]

Title: MORRIS DEES;
SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER;
PUBLIC SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT;
WEST HIGH SCHOOL;
APPLETON, WI;
10/25/2000
CT PREPAREDNESS - SPECIAL EVENTS

Synopsis: Request to query appropriate sources regarding threats against captioned special event.

Details: For information of receiving offices, the Appleton Police Department, Appleton, Wisconsin, has advised the FBI that Morris Dees, head of the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC), Montgomery, Alabama, will be speaking at West High School in Appleton, Wisconsin, on October 25, 2000. During the course of his career combating hate groups, Dees has had numerous threats made against his life and the SPLC. The types of threats represented by hate group individuals have ranged from planned assassination attempts in both public and private, rocket attacks, and vehicular bombing of the SPLC headquarters.

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To: Counterterrorism From: Milwaukee
Re: [redacted] 07/14/2000

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LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1:

ALL RECEIVING OFFICES

All offices are requested to contact logical sources for any threat information pertaining to Dees' October 25, 2000, visit to Appleton, Wisconsin. Provide any positive information to IRS [redacted] telephone number [redacted] or SSA [redacted] telephone number [redacted]

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